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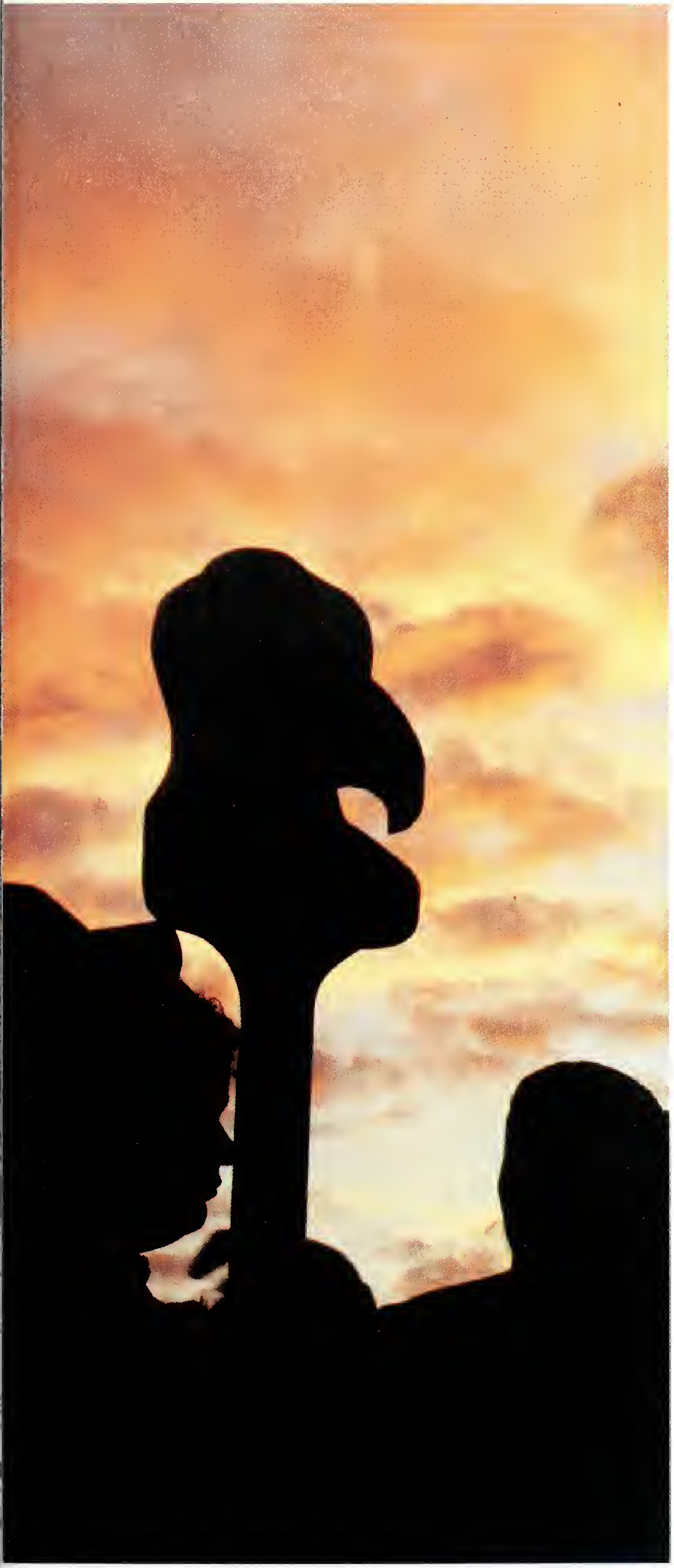

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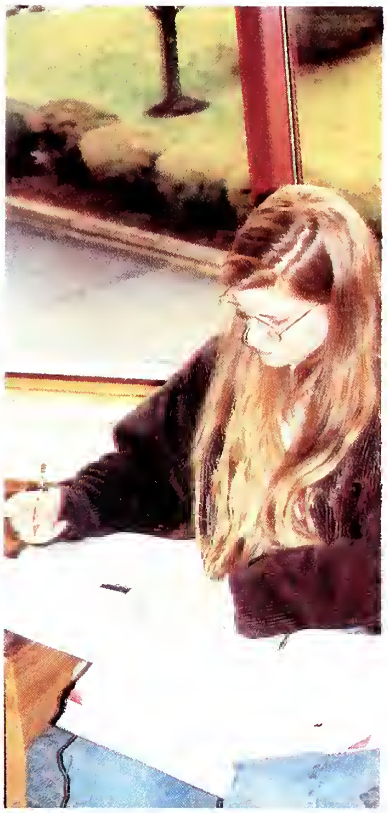
As the 1997-1998 school year began, Fairmont State College students came together to start their college life up on the hill. Whether the student was returning for another semester or starting college classes for the first time, like traditional black and white photos, the traditional events took place once again on campus.

Homecoming Week, one of the events that Fairmont State prides itself on, took place in mid-October, just as it always has. Student government sponsored Alcohol and Substance Abuse Awareness Week to benefit the students of FSC. In late August, the freshman counselors again put together Freshman Orientation events to help new students get to know FSC. However, FSC proved that we are Not Just Black and White...

■ Life on the campus of Fairmont State College doesn't have to be all about getting the grade and doing your homework. This Pritchard Hall resident plays a game of pool with his friends to take his mind off the worries of academic life.

■ Two students take a break in the front lobby of the Education Building. After a hard class or between classes it is not unusual to see students just hanging out on campus to socialize or just to relax.



■ Inside the door of the Turley Center this student takes time between classes to study accounting. This is common for the many FSC students who commute to campus.

On a cold afternoon outside of the Nickel Maggie Britvec and Aaron Denham take a minute to socialize with friends before going to class. Socializing is just one of the elements of college life.

A beautiful day on the FSC campus shows that not only is the spirit and attitude of the college in color but the atmosphere is as well.

...Live in Color

... Live in Color. There were three firsts at Fairmont State College this year. Pence Hall was made a direct target of a bomb threat on October 11, and all of the residence halls were evacuated. The Foundation Dinner honored former FSC coaches Joe Retton and Deacon Duvall and the guest speaker was Olympic gold medalist Mary Lou Retton.

One of the most exciting things that happened this year was the groundbreaking for the new Clarksburg campus of Fairmont State College. The Clarksburg campus has been a dream of many FSC supporters for a very long time, and in September, it moved toward reality. Fairmont State College went through changes, wins, losses and much more, but we have shown that through everything, we're **Not Just Black and White**, but **Live in Color**.

■ At the faculty and staff variety show February 25 Dr. George Byers spoke of "Our Friends the Bugs and Their Happy Personalities." This event gave students a chance to see their professors in a whole new light.

■ As the weather gets warmer the students start to come out side more on campus. These five students are hanging out in front of the Hardway Building enjoying the enviromont after a winter that seemed to never end.

Three guys, or three girls, reenact The Dating Game during the variety show in the Wallman Hall theater. Along with organizing fun activities, the counselors teach students how to cope with college life.

Each year during orientation the counselors put on a variety show for the new students. Jason McGraw and Shelby Sandefur give their best rendition of a skit from *Saturday Night Live*.

Putting together the events of Freshman Orientation takes a lot of time and paperwork. These four orientation counselors take a minute to smile and forget about the work waiting for them.

Serquei Alexeev and Vitaly Dominav stop to show off their togas during the final activity of Freshman Counselor Camp. For the second year in a row, camp ended on a high note with a toga party.

These freshman counselor are singing karaoke at Fresh man Counselor Camp to take much-needed break from plan ning the three-day Freshma Orientation, held each Augus on campus.

Jackson's Mill

Standing at the podium during Freshman Counselor Camp, J.P. Miller, Michael Belmear and Shelby Sandefur plan for new counselor orientation at Jackson's Mill.

Micheal Belmear and Kat Stevens, Freshman Orientation advisors, demonstrate the fun they had while working hard during Freshman Counselor Camp. Camp took place the week before Freshman Orientation in August.

Getting Acquainted

Freshman Orientation

A group of students and a few staff members planned and put on three days of orientation for all new FSC students, making August 17-19 three busy, exhausting days. Student director Mary Veltri and over 100 selected counselors volunteered time out of their busy schedules to help out 1000 freshmen and new students get acquainted with the campus. Various activities were planned for the counselors and the new students so they could interact with each other. With a variety show, picnic, pizza party and other activities, the counselors worked hard to make all the new students feel welcome on campus.

Michael Belmear, orientation director, said, "I was very impressed and pleased about orientation. The counselors got the freshmen involved and communicated better with them this year."

SALEM-TEIKYO UNIVERSITY
BASEBALL

Excited Alpha Sigma Tau sorority members hold the FSC spirit stick, showing what made them number one in the spirit competition. AST members performed a cheer that showed outstanding FSC spirit before being awarded the spirit stick.

ΑΣΤ
Alpha Sigma Tau
Tau

Continued Tradition

Homecoming Lives On

Homecoming Week at Fairmont State College is alway an exciting time, and this year was no exception.

Homecoming Week began with a live performance b comedian Victoria Jackson. A former *Saturday Night Live* cas member, Jackson kept the audience in stitches with her vi brant performance.

Tuesday was Spirit Day and students were encouraged t wear their FSC gear. Later that evening the annual bonfir was sponsored by Student Government, and some of th highlights included performances by the Falcon band an cheerleaders, as well as introduction of the candidates fo Homecoming Queen. The spirit competition was held, an Alpha Sigma Tau sorority won the event. *(cont. on page 14)*

🟥 MarilynMonroe stopped by to join the Tri Sigma sorority before the Homecoming parade on October 16. To go along with the theme "Hurray for Hollywood", each student riding on a float tried to dress the part.

🟥 Fireworks lit up the night after the picnic at Rosier Field on Tuesday, October 14. The night was not only full of fireworks but also music, the FSC band, cheerleaders and a spirit competition.

🟥 At Westchester Village on Thursday, October 16, FSC students and guests gathered for the Homecoming dance with food, dancing, socializing and introduction of candidates. The formal elegance of this event brought out the class in FSC students.

🟥 The float decorated by Prichard Hall moves slowly down Fairmont Avenue during the Homecoming parade. The Prichard Hall float was one of only three that were recognized for their efforts, rolling away with third place.

🟥 To kick off Homecoming Week, comedian Victoria Jackson performed on campus. During Homecoming Week a different student activity was planned each day to let students focus on something other than schoolwork.

1997 Homecoming Queen Alicia Ashley was sponsored b Sigma Tau Gamma & Delta Zeta Ashley is a senior majoring i psychology.

Wearing the Crown

Homecoming Court

Maid of Honor Toma Steele, sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon and Sigma Sigma Sigma. Steele is a senior majoring in chemistry.

ame: **Shay Ryan**
ponsor: Sigma Pi
ajor: Elementary education
ank: Junior

Name: **Benita Adkins**
Sponsor: Chi Alpha
Major: Psychology
Rank: Junior

Name: **Kristy Renfro**
Sponsor: St. Athletic Advisory
Major: Psychology
Rank: Sophomore

Name: **Christina Short**
Sponsor: St. Publications
Major: Graphic Technology
Rank: Junior

ame: **Hadiza Sule**
ponsor: United Nations Black
tudent Union
ajor: Pre- medicine
ank: Senior

Name: **Jamie Sue Savina**
Sponsor: Marching Band
Major: Chemistry
Rank: Sophomore

Name: **Jill Strole**
Sponsor: Delta Xi Omicron
Major: Math education
Rank: Senior

Name: **Julia Starko**
Sponsor: Alph Sigma Tau
Major: Sociology
Rank: Senior

ame: **Katharine Walter**
ponsor: Circle K International
ajor: Elementary education
ank: Sophomore

Name: **Marketa S. Carr**
Sponsor: Prichard Hall
Major: Elementary education
Rank: Junior

Name: **Misty Dawn Kelly**
Sponsor: Kappa Delta Phi
Major: Elementary education
Rank: Junior

Name: **Sarah C. Lewis**
Sponsor: American Chemistry
Society
Major: Chemistry
Rank: Sophomore

ame: **Tracy Pittman**
ponsor: Alpha Phi Omega
ajor: Elementary education
ank: Sophomore

Name: **Shannon Beam**
Sponsor: Honors Assoc.
Major: Psychology
Rank: Sophomore

Name: **Jessica Johnston**
Sponsor: Criminal Justice
Major: Criminal justice
Rank: Senior

Homecoming Lives On

(Cont. from page 11)

The Candidates' Dinner was held at Westchester Village on Wednesday, October 15 to honor the ladies chosen to be on the Homecoming Court. Thursday began with the voting for Homecoming Queen and that evening, organizations competed in the parade. After the parade, students rushed home to get ready for the Homecoming Dance, which was also held at Westchester Village. Homecoming Week is an exhausting time filled with fun and excitement and memories that will last a lifetime.

Saturday, October 18 was the most exciting day of the whole week: that afternoon Falcon fans sat tight for one of FSC's biggest games of the year. During halftime, Alicia Ashley, representing Sigma Tau Gamma and Delta Zeta, was crowned 1997 Homecoming Queen. Toma Steele, who represented Tau Kappa Epsilon and Tri Sigma, was voted Maid of Honor. After the crowning, float winners were announced. First place was Sigma Tau Gamma and Delta Zeta, second place went to Tau Kappa Epsilon and Tri Sigma and third place went to Pritchard Hall.

Although the Falcon football team suffered a close loss to Glenville State, the fans enjoyed the beautiful weather and had a good time up on the hill.

After their sorority sister was named 1997 Homecoming Queen, the Delta Zeta girls show their spirit for FSC and their organization. The sisters of Delta Zeta were proud to have their candidate walk off with the crown.

The football team went head-to-head with Glenville State College during the main attraction of the week. The Falcons took a disappointing fall.

Alicia Ashley is crowned 1997 Homecoming Queen by Amy Lienhart, the 1996 queen. This ceremony is one of the traditional events of the week.

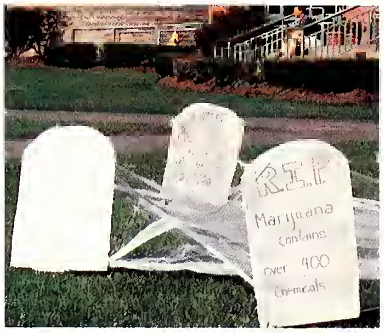
WHY IS
DELTA ZET
THE LARGES
SORORITY I
THE NATION

Alisha Ashley and her escort smile with pride after she is crowned 1997 Homecoming Queen. This team represented Delta Zeta and Sigma Pi.

For the second year in a row,
SC swimmers make their spir-
ted entrance with bare chests.
hese men helped entertain the
rowd, even with the score in
he other team's favor.

The Falcon band marches their pregame show for a large crowd at the Homecoming game. The band also performed during halftime as the Homecoming candidates walked across the field.

Four Sigma sisters take a break from their Bahama Mama non-alcoholic drink at the Mix - Off, which was the featured event for the week and carried live on radio station WVAQ.



The tombstones that cover the quad are reminders of the people who are lost every day due to drinking and driving. The presentation was made and set up by the Delta Zetas to kick off the week.

A DZO sorority sister dips vanilla ice cream into a banana split during Alcohol and Substance Abuse Awareness Week. Many organizations on campus helped give information to students in an effort to save lives.

ΣΤΓ
Xi
Chapter

Sharply dressed Sigma Tau Gammas stand proudly behind their non-alcoholic creation. Participants in the Mix-Off hoped to help fellow students realize that drinks are just as good without alcohol.

Sigma's
HAMA-MAMA

A Special Week

Information Matters

Alcohol and Substance Abuse Awareness Week was held during the week of October 5-11. This was a great opportunity for the campus to take advantage of information, presentations, educational activities and many fun events.

To start the week, Delta Zeta sorority put up a display of tombstones on the Education Building Quad with statistics of drinking and driving accidents. A presentation by Doug McCarty, "When does a Cucumber Become a Pickle?" also took place on Monday. This presentation focused on the effects that drinking alcohol has on the body and was sponsored by the Black Student Union.

One activity that continued throughout the week was the "Puzzle." Alpha Phi Omega created a giant puzzle with messages on the pieces. Sponsored by Delta Xi Omicron, "BYOB: Bring Your Own Banana" took place on Tuesday. This event was covered live by WTUS radio. Also on Tuesday, Tau Kappa Epsilon sponsored "The FSC Story", an informational presentation that focused on how drugs and alcohol may have long-term effects on students' personal and professional lives.

On Wednesday evening at Morrow Hall was a Trivial Pursuit game, with questions focusing on alcohol and substance abuse. Thursday the Tri Sigmas created a Remembrance Chain. Each chain link represented a life that was taken during a drinking and driving accident.

The featured event of the week, sponsored by Student Government, was a "Mix-Off." For this event each organization could prepare a nonalcoholic drink for sampling and judging. WVAQ radio covered the event live. All of the events and information were brought to campus by the Office of Student Affairs.

■ On the lawn of the Education Building, the DZO's show students "BYOB" really means Bring Your Own Banana. This was only one of the seven activities that went on that week.

Publications

Getting the Word Out

At FSC there are many opportunities for students to get involved on campus. A good way to do that is to become a member of one of the three student publications. Student Publications includes the yearbook, *Mound*; the newspaper, *The Columns* and the art and literary magazine, *Whetstone*. While these publications each have different goals and purposes, they all have one thing in common: all are the works of the students of Fairmont State College.

The *Mound* is only one of the links that makes up Student Publications. Editor Christina Short and Student Publications advisor Beth Slusser attended a design workshop in October conducted by Herff Jones publishers in order to help the staff design the cover of the yearbook.

The Columns is another of the links. This link is produced weekly, at least 10 issues a semester, but in both fall and spring semesters this year the staff pulled another issue off the presses because the editors, Tracy Toler and Dustin Benge, and staff members felt there was news that needed to be reported. Several special issues were also produced, including a 3-D issue, a 70s issue and a Valentine's Day issue.

The last and newest link in the student publications chain is *Whestone*, a magazine of student art and creative writing that shows off the talent that lurks on the campus. Students produce two issues a year and bring in artists and writers for creative workshops.

Sitting in *The Columns* office, Misty Poe, managing editor, takes time from working to refuel with a Mountain Dew.

While waiting for the Homecoming parade to start, representatives from Student Publications show off their Hollywood smiles. Student Publications includes *Mound, The Columns* and *Whetstone* . Journalism students took time from their work to participate in Homecoming Week events.

Mound editor Christina Short works hard at making a list of assignments for her staff before the weekly yearbook meeting. This is her second year as editor-in-chief.

Whetstone staff member Will Woolfitt is caught by surprise by the camera during a staff meeting. Staff members read and select items from work submitted by FSC students. *Whestone* is the student art and literary magazine at FSC.

During a yearbook meeting in the journalism lab Michelle Morris and Duke Dodd discuss the next week's events. Each week staff members are given an assignment to do for the following week.

Dustin Benge, editor of *The Columns*, stands before his staff going over their weekly assignments before putting the paper together on Thursday and going to press on Friday morning.

Campus Hangout

Food, Fun, and Games

The Nickel has, since its beginning, been a popular hangout for Fairmont State College students. It gives students a chance to relax before, after, or during a hectic day of classes.

The Nickel began in 1947 in the basement of the Administration Building. Winnie Crenshaw, House Director of Morrow Hall at the time, came up with the name "The Big Nickel", and the name stuck. The Nickel was started as a project for management teacher Louise Hitchcock and her classes. They sold cola, candy, milk and cigarettes. Within two months, "The Big Nickel" became the place to be. Since it was connected to the student lounge, students would purchase their snacks and then hang out with their friends.

Fifty years later, the Nickel is still the place to hang out with friends. Now located in the Turley Center, the Nickel has a Burger King, as well as a salad bar, pizza and drinks.

Although the Nickel has gone through many changes over the past 50 years, it is still the place to hang out with friends and make a black and white day one that is **Live in Color**.

Playing pool is one way students can blow off steam after class, a big test, or just for fun. This student takes his mind off of his troubles by concentrating on his next big shot.

J.P. Miller glides through the Nickel up to the counter to pay for his popcorn during a free moment from classes and student government responsibilities . The Nickel is the number one place on campus for students to go to during their free time.

After piling her salad to the top of the container, Erin Walton reaches for dressing to finish her salad. The salad bar is only one of the many featrues that the Nickel offers students.

A faculty member enjoy the food available to them in the Nickel. The atmosphere of the Nickel is not just for the students on campus but for the faculty and staff as well.

By concentrating on a video game, this student take his mind off of his classes and homework. Video games are just one of the many diversions the Nickel offers the campus.

Playing ping-pong is one way to relieve the anxiety of college life, and the Nickel is a popular place to do it. The Nickel is not only for buying food; it also has television, pool tables, ping-pong tables and friends.

It's Never-Ending

Parking Problems

The parking situation at FSC is a "never-ending story" of frustration, endless tickets and constant arguments between campus security and parking violators. During the 1997-1998 school year, parking additions were made between Prichard Hall and the Feaster Center and on the hill below the Feaster Center, providing 116 extra spaces. However, it has only helped part of the problem. Jennifer Delaney, a senior from Clarksburg, is highly aggravated by the situation: "I get to campus one hour early in order to find a space and lose one hour of sleep in the meantime."

In the past, there has been a shuttle bus program at the Middletown Mall for FSC students, but it was unsuccessful. Consequently, the program was done away with and in its place is a new shuttle bus that picks up students at certain times throughout the week in the local area between Morgantown and Clarksburg.

Students who live within a half mile of the campus are denied a parking decal. If everyone was allowed to purchase a decal, the parking would be even worse. This policy cuts down on the number of cars on campus and takes some of the pressure off, but parking is still, for many students, an agitating situation.

Parking is a problem that will probably always be a part of the campus, especially if the college population continues to grow. For this year and many more to come, parking will give many FSC students headaches and frustration. Good or bad, this is something else that has become a tradition at Fairmont State College.

■ Campus Security Chief Lorin Elder writes a ticket to one of the many parking violators on campus. Even though the parking situation improves every year, there are still some students who can't find a legal parking space.

A day in the life of one FSC student and a parking spot ...

■ Trying to find a parking space in time to make it to that first class has become very difficult for many students. The farmilar sight of campus security writing a ticket is experenced by a lot of students.

15 minutes before class:
arts looking for a parking
ot, but there is no space
sight ...

Still Looking...

Haven't found a space yet...

Devanie Carpenter is just dropping her daughter Stephanie off at the Child Care Center before heading to class. Every morning as parents bring their children, they must sign then in and sign them out before leaving so the center can keep track of all the children.

Glue, a white paper bag and some construction paper put together by Grace Slusser, Heather Moran, Raven Bartlett and Mrs. Weatherwax become small snowmen.

Mark Wilson, Hunter Crescenzi and Gregory Jackson are fishing in their version of a pond. These children spend part of their day in the Child Care Center while their parents attend classes or are at work.

Elijah Edwards plays with the Lego train that is provided at the Child Care Center. Having adequate toys to accomodate the children's ages is a major factor for the development of the child and the quality of the center.

Responsibilities

Students with Children

One of the many services that FSC provides for both faculty and students is a day care center for their children. The Child Care Center is located on the first floor of the Education Building and provides an educational environment for children from toilet-trained two-year-old through eight-year-old. The center gives child care majors a place to do their practicum, which involves not only working with children but also observation that ties into their academic studies.

In the fall, it was proposed that the Child Care Center be turned into a Head Start program. FSC would receive a grant for $630,000 to add three new classrooms to accommodate 54 Head Start students. The concerns were stated about funding after the grant runs out and about how many FSC students and faculty children would really get in to the program. After careful consideration and a series of meetings on campus, the decision was made not to incorporate Head Start into the center, and the Child Care Center continued to operate under its existing policies.

This center provides convenient facilities for the college, and could be one reason that some people come back to school. Katrina Henderson said that she feels she is setting a good example for her children by going back to school and her return has been possible because of the FSC Child Care Center.

Christina Davis has just finished a day of classes and is picking up her daughter, Brianna, from the Child Care Center. The service that the center brings to campus is a lifesaver for parents who need reliable, low-cost day care.

At an assembly before a luncheon at the Aerospace Center, Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach presents a gift to one of the visiting dignitaries from Taiwan.

Another Campus

Aerospace Center

The Aerospace Center in Bridgeport was dedicated in the fall o of 1994, but the first programs for the center were located on the FSC campus a year earlier.

The Aerospace Center had close to 87-90 majors and the programs were split into three groups for enrolled students.

The center continually honors special groups. In October 1997, the Aerospace Center hosted Senator Jay Rockefeller and a delegation of politicians and business leaders from Taiwan through a project known as "Discover the Real West Virginia". The Aerospace Center was chosen as the site for this gathering of dignitaries.

The center's students are able to attend conferences and visit facilities to have hands-on experience. Students attended the Pampa Conference, a major airline maintenance conference, and saw the US Air maintenance operations at Pittsburgh International Airport. Students also attended the FAA seminars in Washington, DC and were able to see the Right Path Aviation Museum there.

The Aero-Space Center not only gives its students experience, but also training in technology that ranges from the old aircraft to the new technology used on Boeing 777 passenger jets.

Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach gives one of the visiting dignitaries an FSC lapel pin. The pins were given to show Fairmont State College's appreciation.

FAIRMONT STATE

Dr. Dudley-Eshbach stands
efore local and Taiwanese busi-
ess leaders to discuss her
resent and future plans for the
erospace Center and the rest
f Fairmont State College.

At a luncheon for the project "Discover the Real West Virginia" Senator Jay Rockefeller addresses the Taiwanese visitors at the Aerospace Center.

One of the visiting business leaders from Taiwan addresses the FSC community and his countrymen about his views of West Virginia and the Aerospace Center.

The colorful look of the Aerospace Center shows off the pride that FSC has put into the center and the programs that take place inside.

Foundation Dinner

What Makes a Leader?

"What Leaders are Made Of" was the theme of the 1997 FSC Foundation Dinner honoring Joseph Retton, Jr. and Harold S. Duvall for excellence in athletics.

The dinner opened with a speech by Dr. Phillip Mason, executive director of the FSC Foundation, who stated that the Foundation continues to grow. The dinner raised enough money this year to make possible many needed improvements on campus.

Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach announced the 1997 honorees. Retton was honored for his leadership of the men's basketball team during his tenure at FSC. A graduate of FSC, Retton returned as the head basketball coach. He was named WVIAC and NAIA District 28 Coach of the Year six times, NAIA Coach of the Year twice, and in 1976 Associated Press Small College Coach of the Year. Retton was also inducted into the NAIA Coaches' Hall of Fame, the FSC Alumni Association Hall of Fame, the WV Sports Hall of Fame, and the FSC Letterman's Hall of Fame.

Duvall was saluted for his leadership of the FSC football team. He was named NAIA Coach of the Year three times and was inducted into the NAIA Coaches' Hall of Fame, the FSC Alumni Association Hall of Fame, the WV Sports Hall of Fame, and the FSC Letterman's Hall of Fame.

Both Retton and Duvall are perfect examples of leaders that FSC helped to create.

Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach stands before the FSC supporters, guests and honored friends at the Foundation Dinner to announce the 1997 honorees. Dr. Janet was only one of five speakers who took the podium that evening.

To show the college's appreciation, Dr. Janet presented the two honorees and guest speaker Mary Lou Retton with large photo plaques.

DUVALL
RETTON

In keeping with the evening's theme, Mary Lou Retton referred to leadership and hard work in her speech to the honorees and the guests.

Looking over his glasses, Joseph Retton, Jr. talks about his days at FSC and his appreciation for being honored. Retton was honored for his leadership of the FSC basketball team.

Harold S. Duvall was the second of the two honorees to take the podium at the FSC Foundation Dinner. Duvall was honored for his excellence in leadership and all the work he put into the FSC football program.

■ The equipment that FSC provides for Wellness Program members is the latest by Camstar. This student, like many other people, wants to build up her bicep muscle.

■ Exercise can be more fun and you might be more likely to go to the gym more often if you go with a friend. Attending the gym together can make time go faster and the workout seem less painful.

be aware
be prepared

■ An FSC student and member of the Wellness Program walks briskly as he monitors his speed. The program has been on campus for three years and now is 95 members strong.

■ As she concentrates on the number of reps, a member of the Wellness Program uses weight resistance to strengthen her arms. Some members of the program want to lose weight and get in shape and others just want to tone muscle.

■ Working out can be fun as you improve your body and your self-image. This student smiles as she works to build up her shoulder muscles.

Wellness Program

Getting in Shape

Established in the spring of 1995 in the Feaster Center, the Fitness and Wellness Center gives members a chance to improve their health habits and abilities through various training programs and seminars.

The program has about 95 members, including FSC faculty, staff and students. The facilities are small, but Camstar equipment is available for lower and upper body training. There are also treadmills, a rowing machine, a stepper and three aero-cycles for members to choose from.

The program has two screenings: the first is to introduce the new members to the equipment and the proper use of it to prevent any serious injury, and the second screening is optional since it tests members' endurance and strength, flexibility, blood pressure and analyzes body fat. This allows members to set goals for themselves.

Students can become members by paying $18 for a semester or $36 for a year, while faculty and staff pay $10 a month. Each member receives a quarterly newsletter that addresses different health issues. The center also provides seminars with luncheons and lecturers from specialized fields in the fitness and wellness area.

The Fitness and Wellness Center provides a good workout and educational values in the physical fitness field not only to FSC students but to employees as well.

Starting Fresh

Groundbreaking

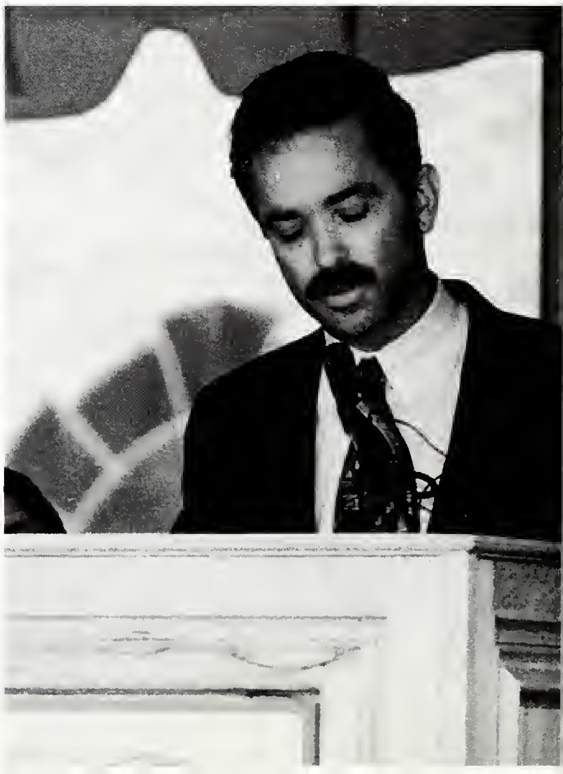
The groundbreaking ceremony for the Fairmont State College Clarksburg Center was held on September 8, 1997 at the site in Clarksburg.

The festivities began with performances by the FSC marching band and FSC cheerleaders. In her opening address, Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach talked about education in Clarksburg in the year 2000. Dr. Janet said, "Classes will begin in the fall of 1999... and the building will be event friendly."

Many dignitaries from around the state were present, including former WV governor Gaston Caperton, Clarksburg mayor Louis Iquinto and David Ice, acting state Secretary of Education and the Arts.

Dr. Clifford M. Trump, Chancellor of the WV State College system, spoke about dreams of a bright future for FSC. The ceremony came to a close with Ron Adams of CNG presenting Dr. Janet with a check for $50,000. Dudley-Eshbach thanked everyone for coming and invited everyone to the catered reception held on the site.

■ **President Dudley-Eshbach and two CNG Transmissions officials participate in the actual breaking of the ground at the site of the new Clarksburg Center building.**



■ **Former Governor Gaston Caperton was a key player in the development of the FSC Clarksburg Campus. Caperton was invited to speak at the event.**

David Ice, the acting Secre-
y for Education in the Arts,
aks about the future of FSC.
was an honored guest at the
nt held at 501 West Main
eet, Clarksburg.

■ FSC administrators, supporters and local Clarksburg dignitaries all hold their shovels with pride as they begin the ground breaking on September 8 at 4:00 pm.

Tomorrow's Future

Leadership Conference

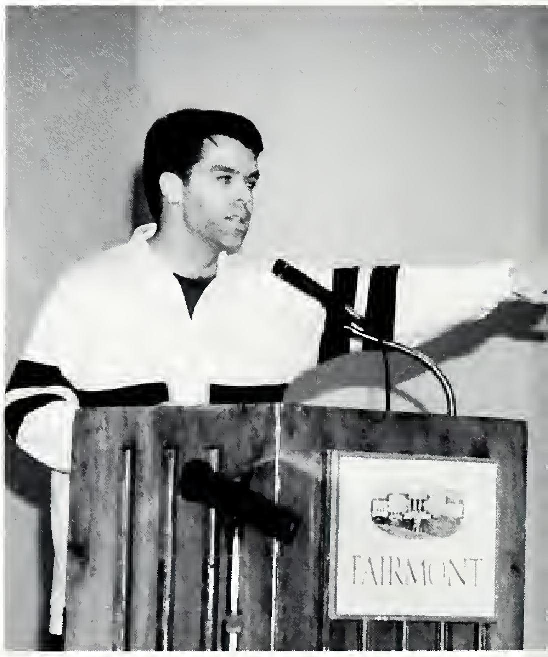
As usual, the state-wide Leadership Conference for college students was sponsored by Student Government and Assistant Vice-President for Academic Affairs Michael Belmear. College students from all over the state were invited to FSC's Turley Center ballroom to hear lectures and go through leadership exercises led by Dan Crockett.

During this event students were taught the importance and the related benefits of being a leader. They listened to speeches and were taught how to improve the leadership skills they already had, and how to put those skills to better use. To these students leadership is just as important after college as it is while they are in college. Exercises were taught to these students that they could take back to their friends, their organizations or just keep to themselves as a reminder of how important leadership really is.

When the day was over, students left with a new sense of independence and more confidence in their ability to handle the future.

■ Two FSC students show their support of leadership by going through with the exercises even if they would rather not.

■ TKE brothers enjoy activities for learning how to be better leaders at the 1997 Leadership Conference that took place in the ballroom.



Standing at the podium ving a lecture on the portance of leadership, Dan ckett hopes to reach the large wd of students.

■ FSC students look on as they are being led in a exercise on leadership by the conference instructor.

■ One TKE brother cracks the bat to the ball in a game of only one type of intramural sport, softball. Any organization was given the opportunity to form a team to compete.

Fun Competition

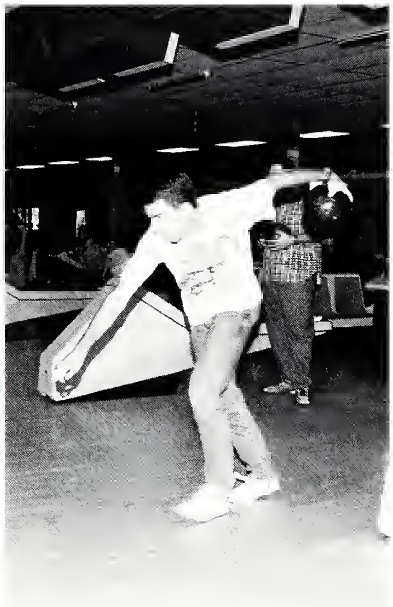
Intramural Sports

On campus through the year there are sporting events that take place just for fun. Every organization on campus is given the opportunity to form a team to compete against other campus organizations. FSC offers basketball, softball, bowling, golf, flag football and volleyball, to name a few. During both the fall and spring semesters there are tournaments that the teams compete in and a champion team is named.

Being a member of an intramural sport team allows the student to be part of something while having fun. Intramurals also allows organization members to spend time together in order to work more efficiently as a group.

■ With his body in just the right position and the ball high behind him, this bowler looks like he takes intramural sports seriously.

■ A left-handed bowler's face shows concentration on how he is going to get the ball down the middle of the of the lane for a strike.



■ Number 22 watches his foul ball go off the bat and up into the air, giving him a strike during an intramural softball game.

Moving across home plate,
ug" McGraw jumps on the
se to make sure he does not
iss, as the catcher moves
rward.

■ Making sure the ball is comfortable on his fingers, one intramural competitor takes his score very seriously.

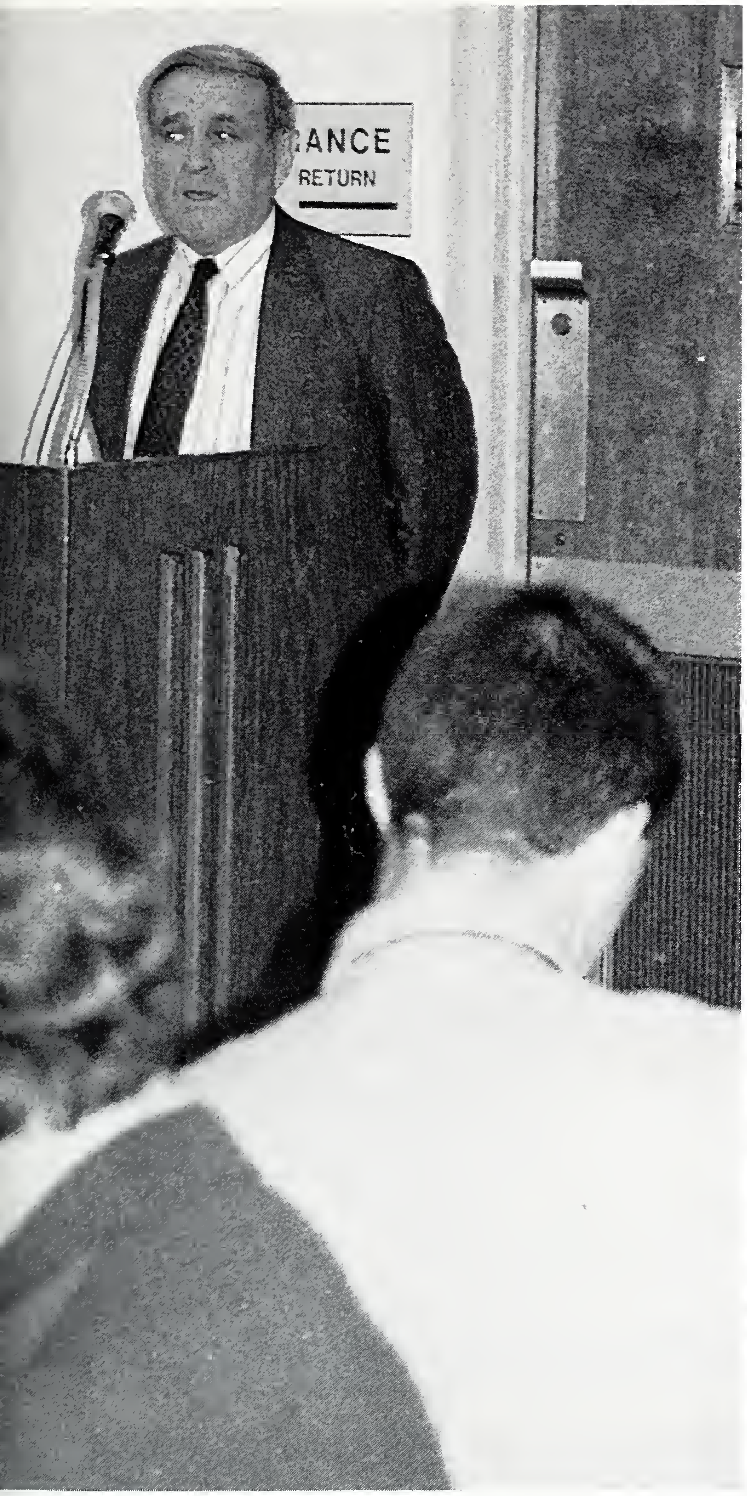
On the "A" List

Academic Banquet

Once a year at Fairmont State College students are rewarded for the fruits of their academic labor. This year being no exception, the twenty-first annual Academic Awards Banquet honored the excellence of hard-working students on April 24, 1998. Frederick Fidura, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, welcomed the crowd and kicked off the ceremonies. After the initial introductions and a wonderful medley of delicious food provided by Carol Mainella, Director of Food Services, President Janet Dudley-Eshbach gave the remarks. A number of organizations were represented at the awards banquet including Business & Economics, Education/Health and Human Performance, Fine Arts, Language and Literature, Science, Mathematics and Health Careers, Social Science, and Technology. Many students were the recipients of awards, and instructors also received awards in recognition of Excellence in Advising, Outstanding Adjunct Faculty, Kellogg Foundation Leadership Award For Academic Excellence, and the William A. Boram Award For Teaching Excellence. Following the awards, the closing remarks were given which brought the evening's festivities to an end. After some warm handshakes and congratulatory conversations, all who attended went home with an understanding of what can result when teachers and students combine their efforts to reach common, rewarding, academic goals.

■ Professor of English Dr. Jack Wills addresses the audience after receiving the Boram Award for Excellence in Teaching. Dr. Wills retired this semester after 27 years at FSC.

■ Several award recipients listen as the presenter speaks of their academic accomplishments at the Academic Awards Banquet held in the FSC Dining Hall.



■ A presenter offers a congratulatory hug to an award winner at the Academic Awards Banquet in the Dining Hall. A capacity crowd turned out to applaud the achievements of both faculty and students.

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■ The list of academic accomplishments at FSC this year was a long one, as the many award recipients and presenters attending the banquet proved. The Academic Awards Banquet is an annual event on campus.

■ The Awards Banquet audience listens to a presenter. Audience members pictured at the head table include FSC president Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach and her husband Joe Eshbach, administrators Phil Mason, Michael Belmear and Larry Haffner.

■ During the Faculty and Staff Variety Show, Salley Tarley and Michael Belmear show off their fancy footwork by dancing the jitterbug.

Showing Talents

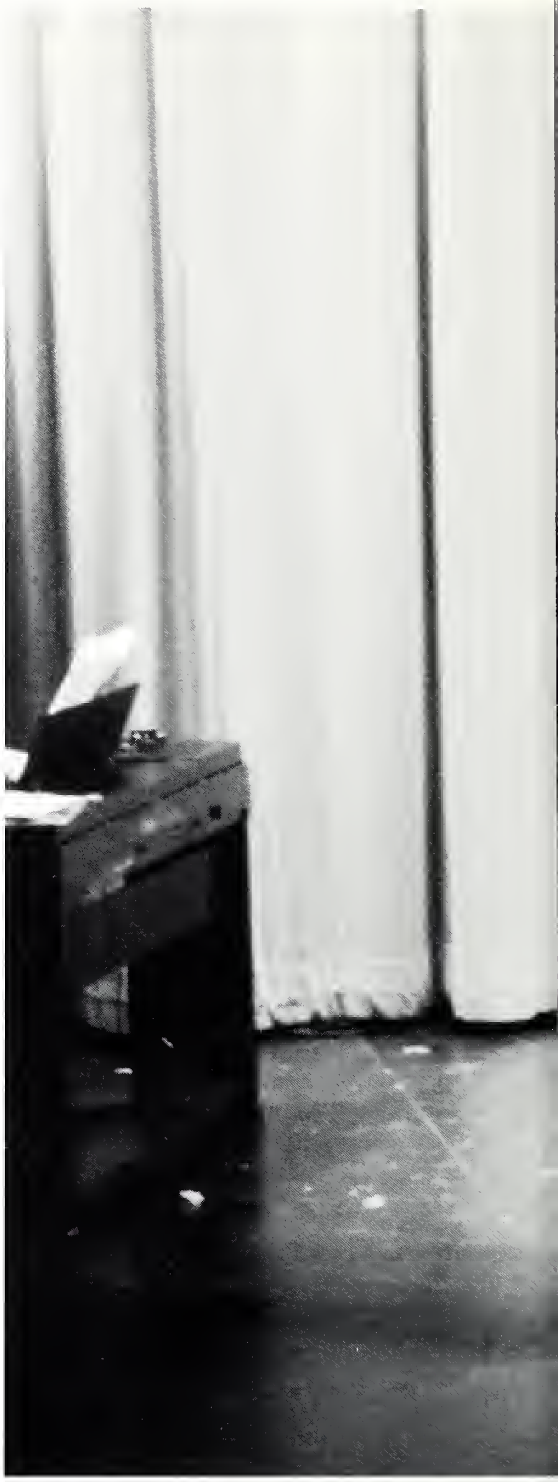
Faculty Variety Show

In Wallman Hall on Wednesday, February 25, 1998 the first annual Faculty and Staff Variety Show was held. The show was a way for FSC faculty and staff to relax and show off their talents and it let the students see a different side of their professors.

First to take the stage was physics professor Stephen Haynes, who tried to juggle balls with his eyes closed. Then Galen Hansen proved that "Hell is exothermic". Language and Literature professor John Teahan sang two gospel songs. "The Yellow Submarine" was sung by biology professor Mark Flood and Shylaja Akkuraju.

The most popular act with the audience was Michael Belmear and Sally Tarley dancing the jitterbug. Other performers included Ken Kelly, George Byers and Greg Hinton.

The variety show was sponsored by Student Government and gave everyone who performed and attended a break from the pressures of college life.



■ Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Ken Kelly shows off his singing talent with a couple of folk songs in front of a large group of FSC supporters.

■ Standing before a large crowd, Professor John Teahan brought a bit of Ireland to campus by singing two Irish songs.

■ Five FSC professors give their best rendition of a barbershop quintet on the theatre stage in Wallman Hall during the Variety Show.

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For the opening act of the riety Show, Stephen Haynes rforms a juggling act with ly one eye open.

■ Astronomy professor Galen Hansen with one piece of chalk and a chalk board proved to the FSC audience that "Hell is exothermic".

Performance

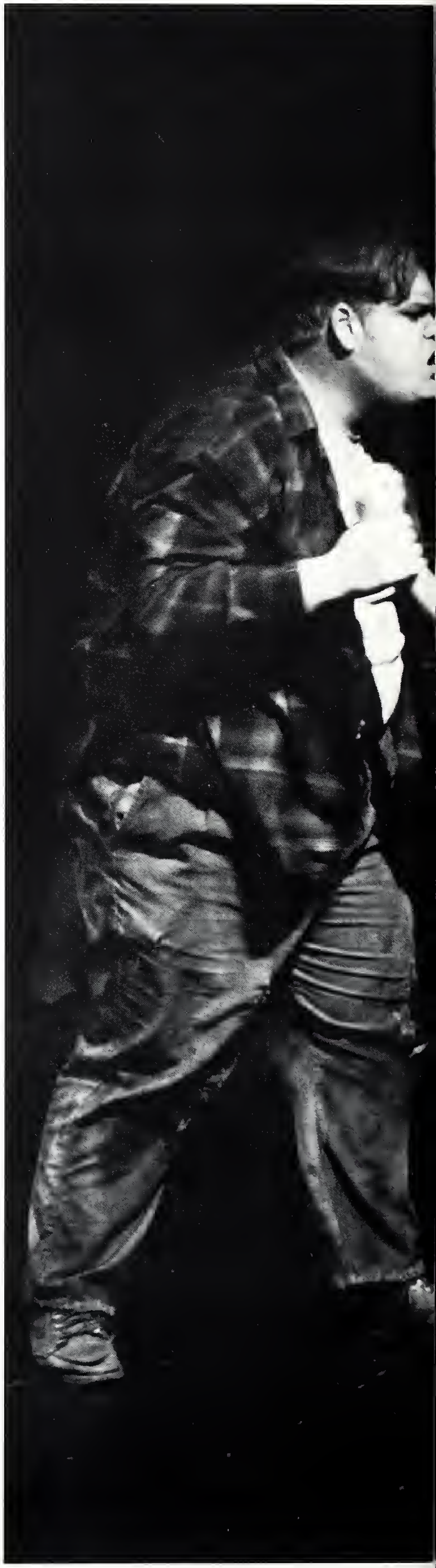
Acting Out the Part

Masquers is the Fairmont State student theatrical production organization. This year they presented three plays: "The Rimers of Eldritch" by Lanford Wilson, "As You Like It" by William Shakespeare and "The Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy Wasserstein.

Masquers was founded in 1923. All productions are directed, designed, and supervised by the speech communication and theatre faculty. Acting roles and positions on the shows are open to the student body on either a voluntary or course credit basis. Membership in Masquers is open to the student body as well.

This year's productions were directed by Dan K. Weber (also the Masquers advisor), guest director Mark Monday, and Matt Bliss, who made his directoral debut with "The Heidi Chronicles".

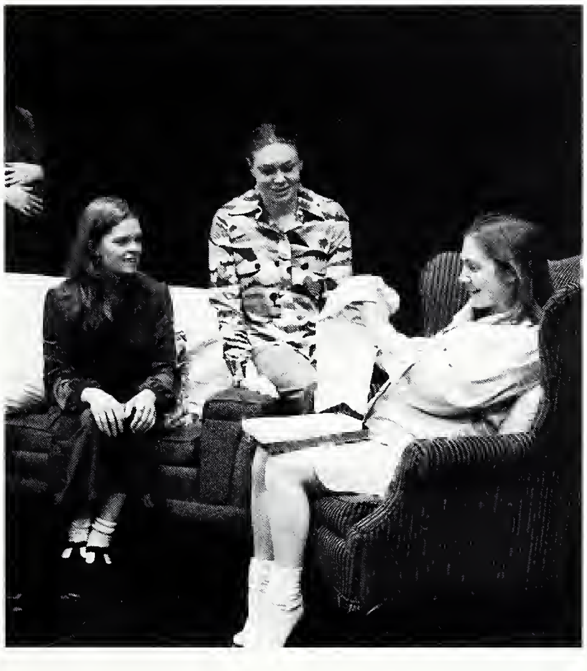
■ Having a deep discussion about the health of another character, Kris Waggoner, Stephanie Rafferty and Faith Morgan definitely dress the part.



■ In the play "Rimers of Eldritch" Ryan Collins and Mary Grumblatt act out a scene were Skelly (Collins) tries to warn Eva (Grumblatt) of the evil to come.

■ John Piscitelli as Ernie, the psychiatrist of the group, tries to coax Courtney Robey, as Cassie, from the lap of John Fallon (Lenny).

■ John Fallon (Lenny) takes a drink of wine out of frustration as Kris Waggoner (Cookie) and Doug Sams (Glenn) look on.



■ Stephen Brooks (Duke) begins a musical ending to the wedding scene in William Shakespeare's "As You Like It."

■ In "The Heidi Chronicles" the guests at a baby shower oooh and aah over the baby clothes. Mary Grumblatt, Francesca Bonasso, Stephanie Rafferty, Jennifer Sharp and Melissa Ryan were the ladies in this scene.

■ Student Government advisor Michael Belmear stands behind the podium at the annual banquet honoring all the members who worked hard all year long.

Students' Voice

Student Government

FSC's student government was formed with only two purposes in mind: to protect and serve the FSC student body. Thoughout the year, SG has actively sought to supplement the academic atmosphere with intellectual, cultural and social activities.

Under the leadership of president Melissa Baker, SG gave FSC a year to remember. For instance, Homecoming, always an anticipated event on campus, began with a humorous performance by former Saturday Night Live member Victoria Jackson. In early February, hypnotist Tom Deluca amazed audience members by hypnotizing several brave volunteers. Later that same month SG held the first annual Faculty and Staff Variety Show. Not only did this show give professors a chance to show off their hidden talents, it also gave students yet another reason to laugh at their teachers. On March 28, SG held a conference consisting of speakers and workshops on topics relating to careers, health and wellness issues and relationships in observance of Women's History Month. As if that was not enough, SG still had time to begin a revision of the professor evaluation process. This process will make evaluations mandatory for all sections and classes. 1997-1998 was yet another busy year for Student Government.

■ **Being officially welcomed into student government, the newly elected president, Ryan Collins, shakes hands with SG advisor Michael Belmear.**

The 1997-1998 student government president stands before members to sum up the year and remember all the good and bad at the banquet in April.

Ryan Collins, newly-elected student government president, swears in his new officers for the 1998-1999 school year.

The "Fabulous Four": esident Ryan Collins, cretary Shelby Sandefur, asurer Adeline Saldivia and e-president Scott Garrison.

The 1997-1998 student government officers and members.

Students

Non-Traditional

The FSC Non-Traditional Students' Society (NTSS) has been very active in the community. They were extensively involved in helping Caritas House, Inc. in Morgantown. Caritas House provides services to people in North Central West Virginia who have been diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. NTSS donated numerous food items and over $1,400 was raised from bake sales and other events sponsored by the organization. The house is continously in need of volunteers to shop for groceries, clerical/office assistance, meal preparation, fund-raising, babysitting and various other tasks.

NTSS put on a variety show for the residents at Wishing Well Nursing Home. Members participated at this event during the FSC semester break. The residents seemed to enjoy the entertainment and were appreciative of the attention they received. NTSS believes in the spirit of giving and lives by the motto, "We all need to look out for one another."

■ **Kat Stevens and non-traditional student Chuck Welch smile despite the freezing cold weather at the annual Christmas tree lighting.**

■ **Barbara Mayle, secretary and Kerry Marbury, advisor of the Non-Traditional Students' Society, clown around at one of their weekly meetings in the Hardway Building.**

■ In the lobby of the Nickel, non-traditional students draw the name of the prize winner in their fund-raiser for Caritas House.

■ Non-traditional students pose for a photo after presenting a check to Caritas House, Inc. in Morgantown.

Guest Appearance

Sharing Their Talent

Every weekday FSC students endure sitting through long classes, taking hard tests and just dealing with the stresses of college life. So it was nice when the Office of Student Affairs or Student Government planned a special guest speaker on campus. Both students and faculty learned a lot from the people who appeared on campus. These guests came to give a little piece of themselves or an experience that they had to students. The different types of people who came through FSC were extraordinary.

The Wheeling Symphony Orchestra came once again to show off their talent. Also entertaining the students of FSC was hypnotist Tom Deluca, who proved to a few volunteers that hypnotism really does work and two Holocaust survivors took time to share their experiences and relate a piece of history. Author Rita May Brown came to give a reading of her latest book, and at the end of the spring semester a guest appeared in Multi-Media A to speak about same-sex marriages.

Throughout the year these visitors appeared and filled FSC with excitement, enlightening stories and entertainment. They allowed FSC students to gain knowledge and a piece of history without ever leaving the campus.

■ In Colebank Gym, some FSC students have been taken over by a hypnotist who visited the campus to give students a change from normal college life.

■ Two Holocaust survivors visit FSC to talk about the horrible encounters and their life experiences that have made them who they are today.

■ Rita May Brown stands at the podium in front of FSC students talking about her ideas and reading from her latest book.

■ Representatives from the WV Lesbian and Gay Coalition stand before FSC students to talk about same-sex marriages on April 22.

■ Playing one of his selections from the Sagebrush Symphony, Michael Martin Murphy stands before students, faculty and community members.

■ Standing tall playing his violin, a featured performer makes music as Racheal Worby looks on.

■ Jack Wills

■ George Smyth

■ Joan Burns talks with old friends at a retirees reception after receiving a recognition plaque from the president and FSC.

■ Leona Wilson, one of the 11 retirees of 1998, sits and shares one last meal with her friends and co-workers.

■ Leona Wilson

■ Jo Ann Lough

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Retirees

After a Long Term

FSC recently honored eleven faculty and staff members who retired during the 1997-98 year. While the various departments held functions throughout the spring to celebrate the retirements, a college-wide reception was held in the FSC Dining Hall in late April. The reception was catered by the Dining Hall staff, and FSC president Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach presented plaques to the retirees to commemorate their years of service to the college.

Dr. Janet also recognized several special achievements, including Dr. Jack Wills' receiving the William A. Boram Award for Teaching Excellence, and Jo Ann Lough's 43 years in the FSC theatre department.

Among the guests at the reception was former FSC president Wendell Hardway, who addressed the gathering as well.

■ **Jo Ann Lough visits with her former co-workers before retiring. This was an emotional time for all the retirees, their co-workers and their friends.**

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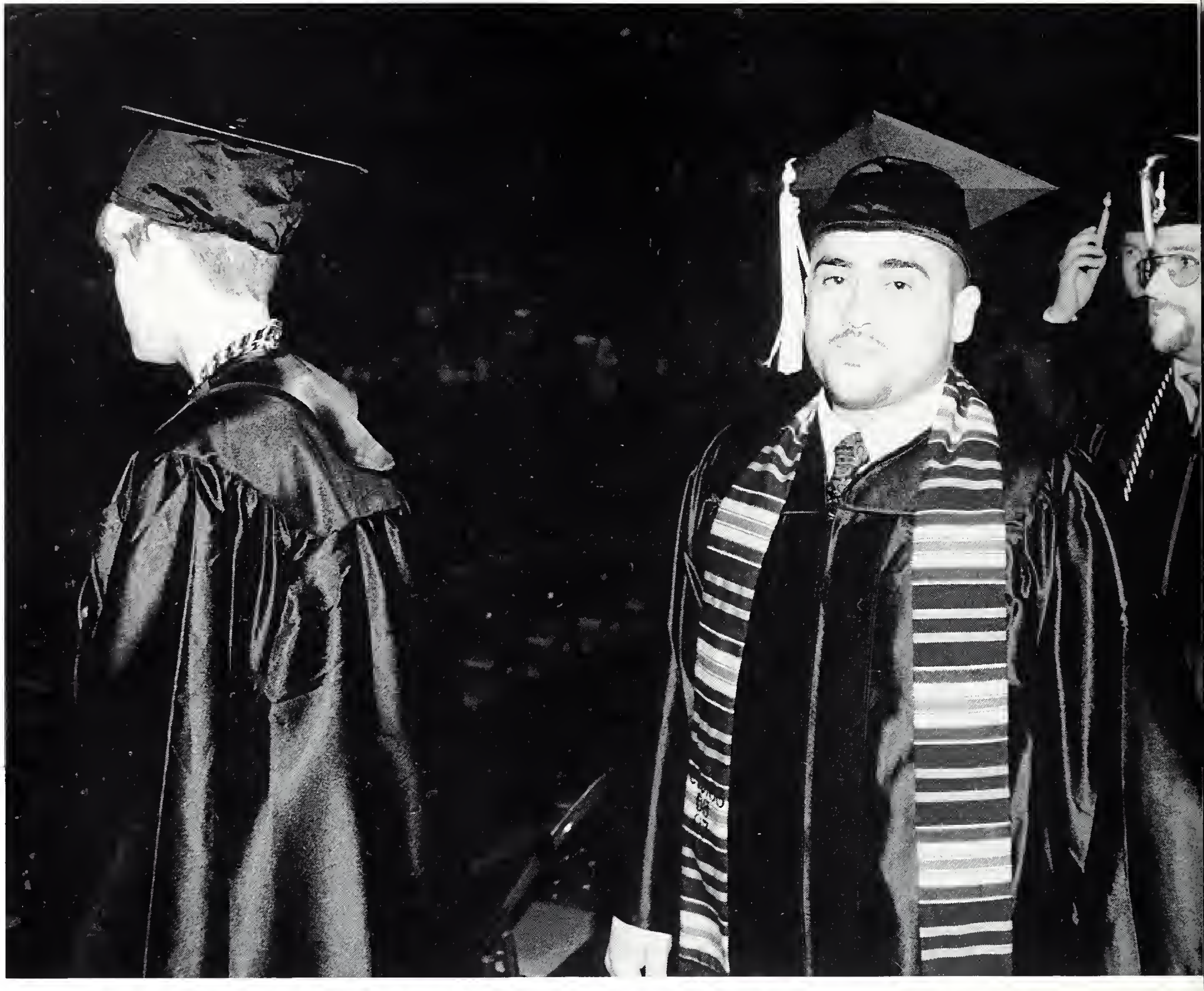
■ **Joan Burns**



■ **Walking in to find his seat, this FSC graduate shows how he really feels about the fall graduation ceremony.**

Final Farewells

December Graduation

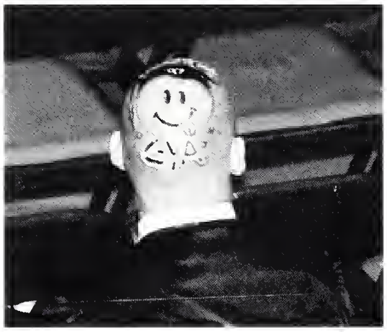
On a Saturday in mid-December in the Feaster Center, FSC celebrated fall commencement. A graduation ceremony is held at FSC at the end of each fall semester to honor those students who finish their degrees during either the summer or fall,
avoiding making those graduates wait until the traditional spring commencement. Students who h
seen all the live colors of the college experience gathered on the floor, in complete graduation regal
to begin their passage from college to the "real world". Degrees were awarded in dozens of bachelo
programs and several associate programs.

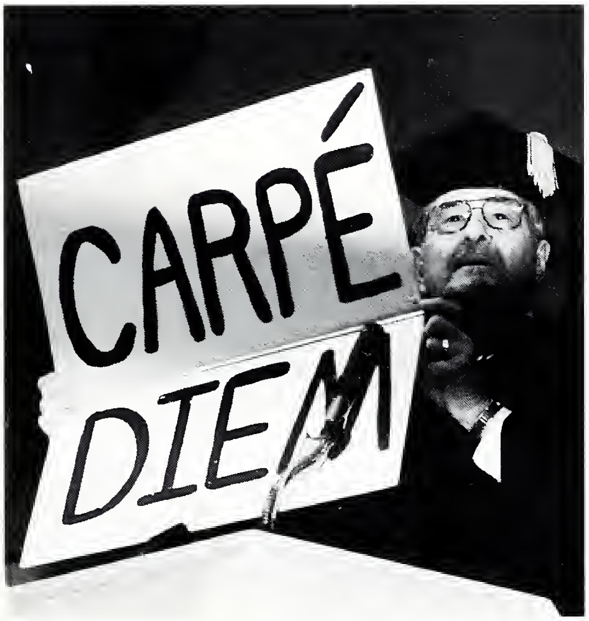
Faculty in academic gowns led the graduates into the arena to the musical strains of t
processional. FSC president Dr. Janet Dudley-Eshbach presided over the ceremony following t
invocation.

Dr. Dudley-Eshbach introduced guest speaker and FSC alumn
Russell Bonasso, who recently graduated from FSC at the same time several of his grandchildren we
graduating from college. Bonasso spoke to the graduates about the life lessons they would take wi
them from their experiences as students at FSC. He also emphasized the importance and value o
college education, no matter what profession the graduates chose. Dr. Fred Fidura, FSC provost a
vice-president for academic affairs, presented the candidates for degrees, and Dr. Janet presented t
candidates' diplomas.

■ Brian Bond firmly shakes the president's hand after he receives his FSC diploma.

■ Showing his joy about graduating, this FSC graduate lets everyone know that he is ready to move on to the next step in his life.





■ With excitement this soon-to-be FSC alumnus realizes he has just closed one chapter in life and started to open another.

■ Giving the FSC graduates a strong message, Russell Bonasso tells the students what they have to do to get ahead in the world.

■ With a smile on his face, Terry Farris accepts his diploma with honor as his ticket to the "real world".

■ **Criminal justice graduate Angela Hurley walks down the rows of chairs excitedly waiting to receive her diploma.**

End of the Road

Spring Graduatio

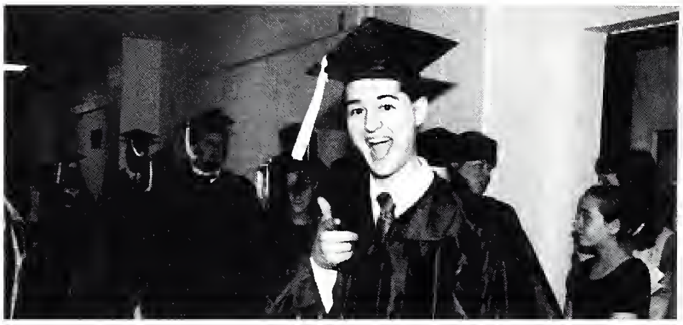
On Saturday, May 9 in the Feaster Center, FSC celebrated its 127th spring commencement. Students who had seen all the live colors of the college experience gathered on the floor, in complete graduation regalia, to begin their passage from college to the "real world". Degrees were awarded in 47 different bachelor's programs and associate programs. Dr. Allan Colebank and Dr. Suzanne Snyder served as commenceme marshals, and Anthony Brizendine was the mace bearer.

The FSC Student Brass Quintet, under the direction of John Ashton and with Jeanne Elm on keyboard, provided the processional and the recessional. FSC president Dr. Janet Dudle Eshbach presided over the ceremony following Reverend Donal "Jack" Squires' invocation.

Dr. Janet conferred an honorary Doctor of Laws degree upon Fairmont native J. Davi McAteer and introduced guest speaker Kerry Kennedy Cuomo, whospoke on "Making a Differen in an Indifferent World". Dr. Fred Fidura, FSC provost and vice-president for academic affair presented the candidates for degrees, and Dr. Janet presented the candidates' diplomas. Senior clas representative J.P. Miller delivered the Class of 1998 message, and the audience joined in the singi of the FSC alma mater. As each graduate crossed the platform to receive a diploma as proof successful completion of the academic program, the audience could see the one thing on mo graduates' minds as clear as black and white: "I did it!"

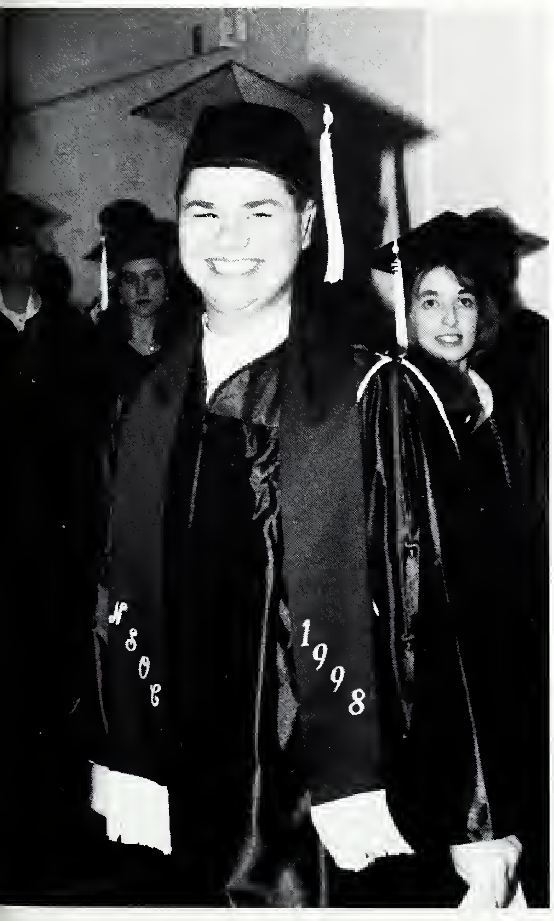
■ Twin sisters and both members of the Delta Zeta sorority show their happy feelings about graduation.

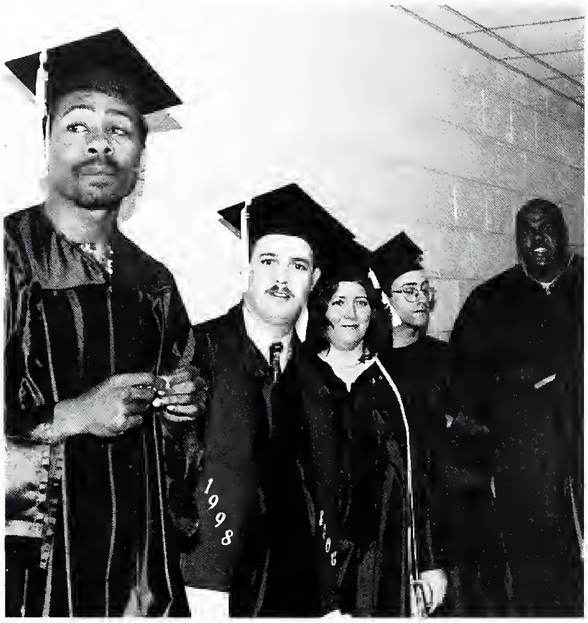
■ With teary eyes, graduate Jackie Iquinto follows her line through the gym to find her assigned seat for the graduation ceremony.



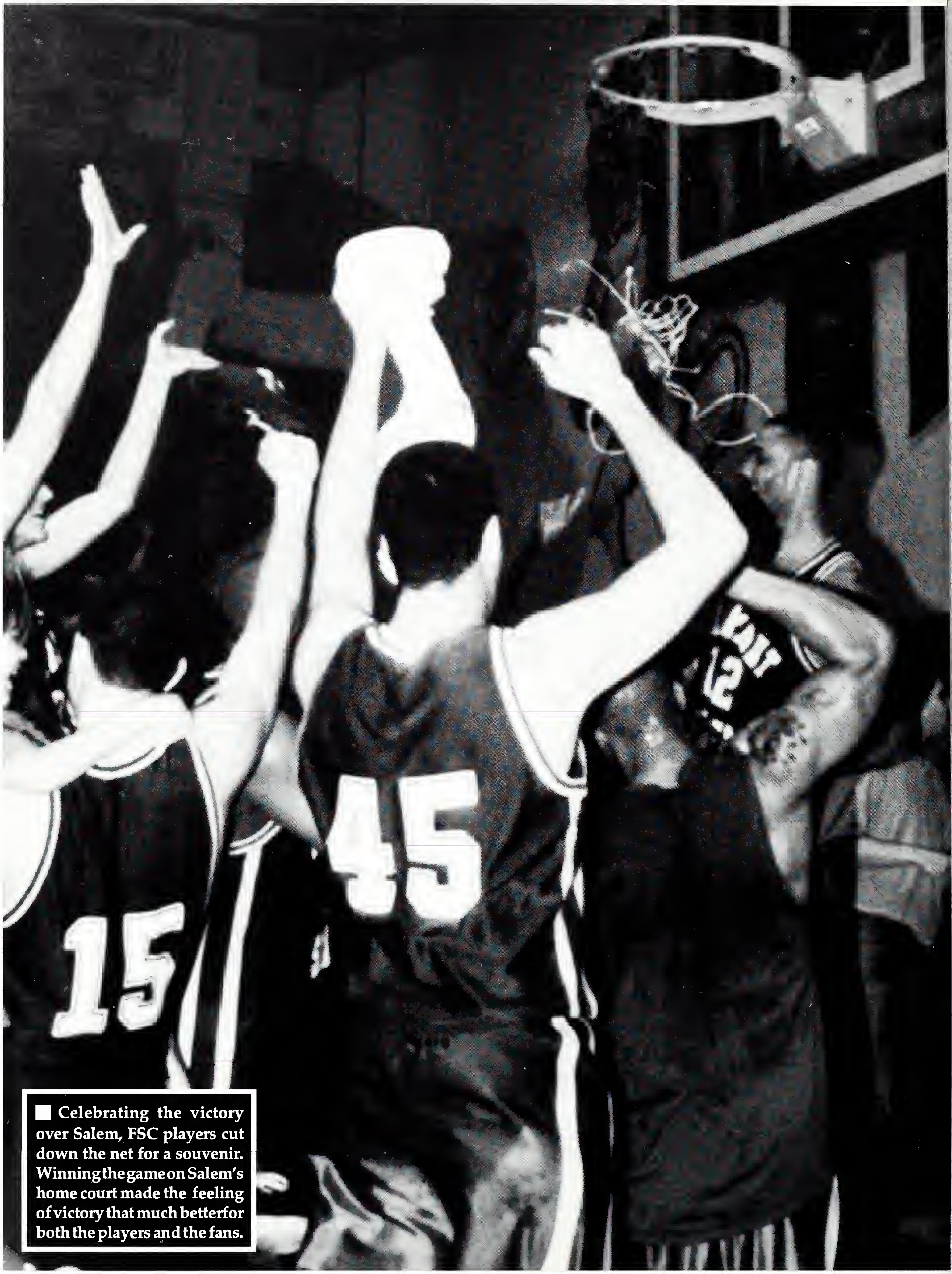
■ Jim Gribble shows his excitement and enthusiasm to finally be graduating after a long and tough road.

■ Anxiously waiting in the hallway of the Feaster Center, these FSC graduates try to stay calm.





■ JP Miller, a student government officer, takes his last walk through the Feaster Center gym as an FSC student.



■ Celebrating the victory over Salem, FSC players cut down the net for a souvenir. Winning the game on Salem's home court made the feeling of victory that much better for both the players and the fans.

Live Action

Live Action

During the year several things have taken place, both good and bad. Whether the Fairmont State College Athletic Department is winning or losing they pull together and show exactly what they are made of.

The year started off with the football team winning their first game of the season over Indiana University (Pa.) by a close margin of 30-29. The year continued on a good note with the FSC cheerleading squad placing 2nd in a national competition at Florida and 1st in the WVIAC State competition. The big excitement of the year was the basketball team won the NCAA Division II East Regional Championship. This sent the team into the "Elite Eight" in Louisville, Kentucky. Continuing honors for FSC athletics, Dave Williams, senior swimmer, received honorable mention in the Ninth Annual All-USA College Academic Team. Even with all these honors and more FSC still went through their share of bad luck, such as the basketball team taking a heart-breaking fall to St. Rose.

With the coming and going of each year also comes and goes the memories of both the happy times and the not so happy times. But that just goes to show that FSC has a great deal of **Live Action.**

Athletics

Emily Sheridan stretches before taking her turn in the water at the FSC pool.

Mark Stefl, a sophomore, comes up for a breath while taking a practice lap before a meet.

Billy McDonald takes a big breath before the buzzer goes off to start his race. McDonald was a senior and swam the 200 and 400 m backstroke and was also a member of the men's relay team.

Catherine Banaszak takes time to think and mentally warm up before her next race. Banaszak was a sophomore on the women's team.

Kristy Renfro concentrates and gathers her thoughts before her next race. Renfro also played volleyball for FSC.

Singer Bobby Freeman once said, "Come on and swim!" Swim coach Ed Denny and his athletes would definitely say the same thing, because two mornings a week and every afternoon Monday through Friday, that's what these young athletes do at the Feaster Center pool.

Denny said, "I'm looking forward to an exciting women's season. In years past the women's team has struggled, not from a lack of talent but a lack of numbers. This year's women's team has a combination of numbers and talent."

Stroke by Stroke

Swimming

"I'm very excited this season because there are more girls. We have more talent," said Amy Deglau.

Last year, the men's team was WVIAC champion, but what about this year? Helius Mucino, captain, said, "The men's team is strong. We have good freshmen. We have strong sophomores and juniors."

The swim team gained many honors this year. Swimmer Chris Kaplan was named to the All-American team. Kaplan also broke school records in the 1650 freestyle, 500 freestyle and 400 IM. Dave Williams was honorable mention on the *USA Today* 9th Annual All-USA College Academic Team.

Co-captain Williams said, "This year's team appears to be stronger than last year's. And since last year's team won the conference, we're looking for things to go as well this year." The team dove into action in the conference championships: the men placed second and the women placed third.

✱ ✱The 1997-1998 Men's and Women's Swim Team

Swimming

While a teammate swims a long race, team member Vicki Schmidt keeps count of laps for that member.

Head coach Ed Denny, with his assistant, watches a match while thinking of strategy to win the day's competition.

FSC swimmer Whit Foley watches his team in a competition at the Feaster Center pool. Foley, a junior, helped the team to a second-place conference finish.

Swimming Schedule

Men & Women

	M	W
Edinboro Univ. of PA	W	W
Wheeling Jesuit Univ.	W	L
Ashland University	L	L
Indiana Univ. of PA	L	L
WV Wesleyan College	L	W
Rollins College	W	L
University of Tampa	L	L
Salem-Teikyo University	L	L
Westminster College	W	W
Slippery Rock Univ	L	L
University of Charleston	W	W
Penn-OH/WVIAC Championships	2nd	3rd

Record	Coach
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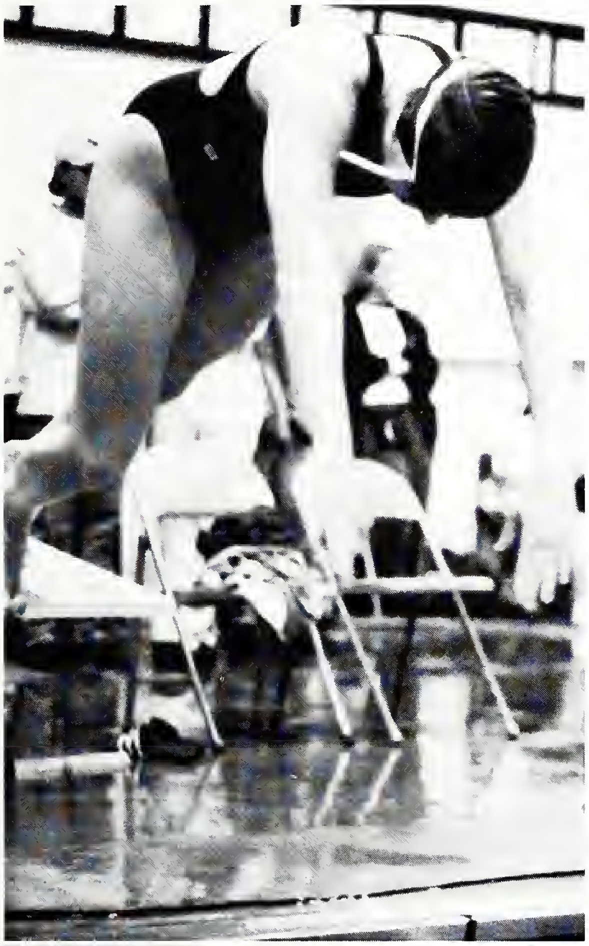


Catherine Banaszak is ready to dive into the pool at the Feaster Center for one of her races.

Moving quickly across the pool doing the backstroke, Shawn Anderson takes a short breath in between strokes.

Chris Rasmussen takes a long and relieved breath after completing one of his three races of the day.

Stepping out of the pocket, quarterback Jarrod Furgason looks downfield to find an open man.

High school and now college teammates Joseph and Furgason look on as the defense controls the field.

As Coach Sams yells in a play change, he pulls the microphone from the headset away. Head Coach Doug Sams has been coaching the Falcons for the past six years.

As the opponemt runs toward him, Jason Balwanz tucks the ball and runs for the sideline. Number 26 is only one of 11 wide receivers for the FSC Falcons.

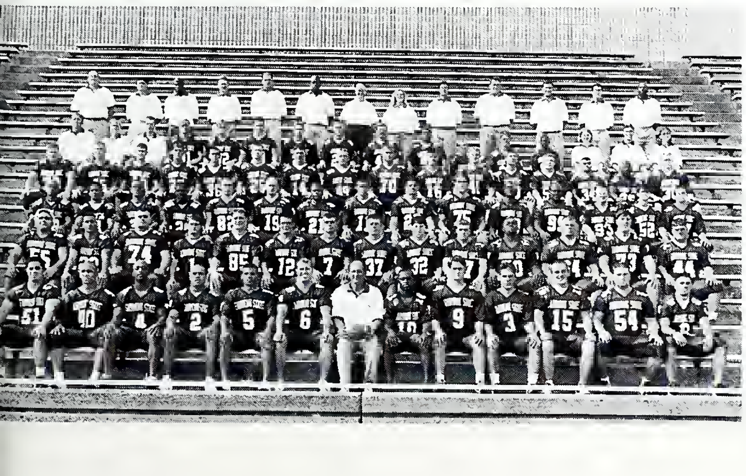
One Falcon gridder, Tom Snyder, pushes his body forward as he gains yardage toward a touchdown. Snyder, number 24, a freshman from Stephon, Va., attended James Wood High School.

Notre Dame had the great Lou Holtz. Penn State had the legendary Joe Paterno. Fairmont State has the always hard-working Coach Doug Sams. This past season was his sixth year at the Falcon helm. His record was 5-6 this year. Despite a less-than-stellar season, Coach Sams' 1997 squad broke several records. Jarrod Furgason got in the books by placing 9th on the all-time touchdown passing list. Mike Joseph had back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons in the conference. Joseph alone rushed for 16 touchdowns and caught 4 TD's for 20 touchdowns this season. How does Coach Sams acquire players like Furgason and Joseph?

Going for the Goal

Football

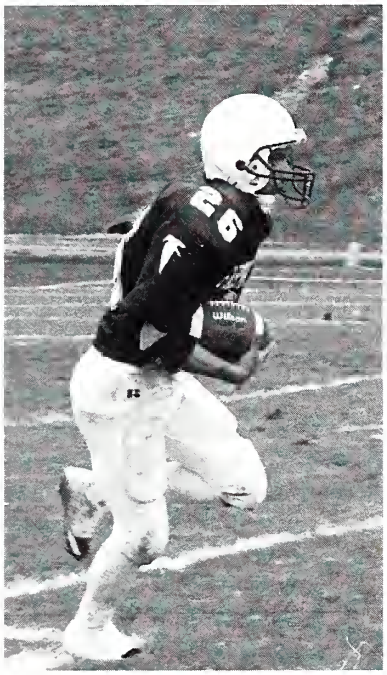
"First, we search for the local players and then we go statewide and then out of state," said Sams. Coaches often have a slogan that they live by and tell students and players. Coach Sams' motto is "ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING!"

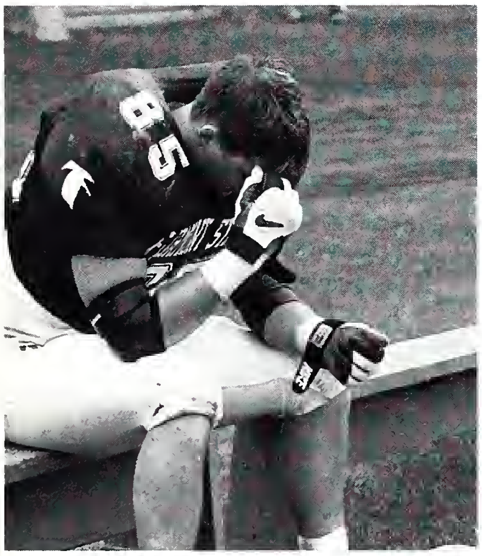


★ ★ **1997 Football Team**

Football

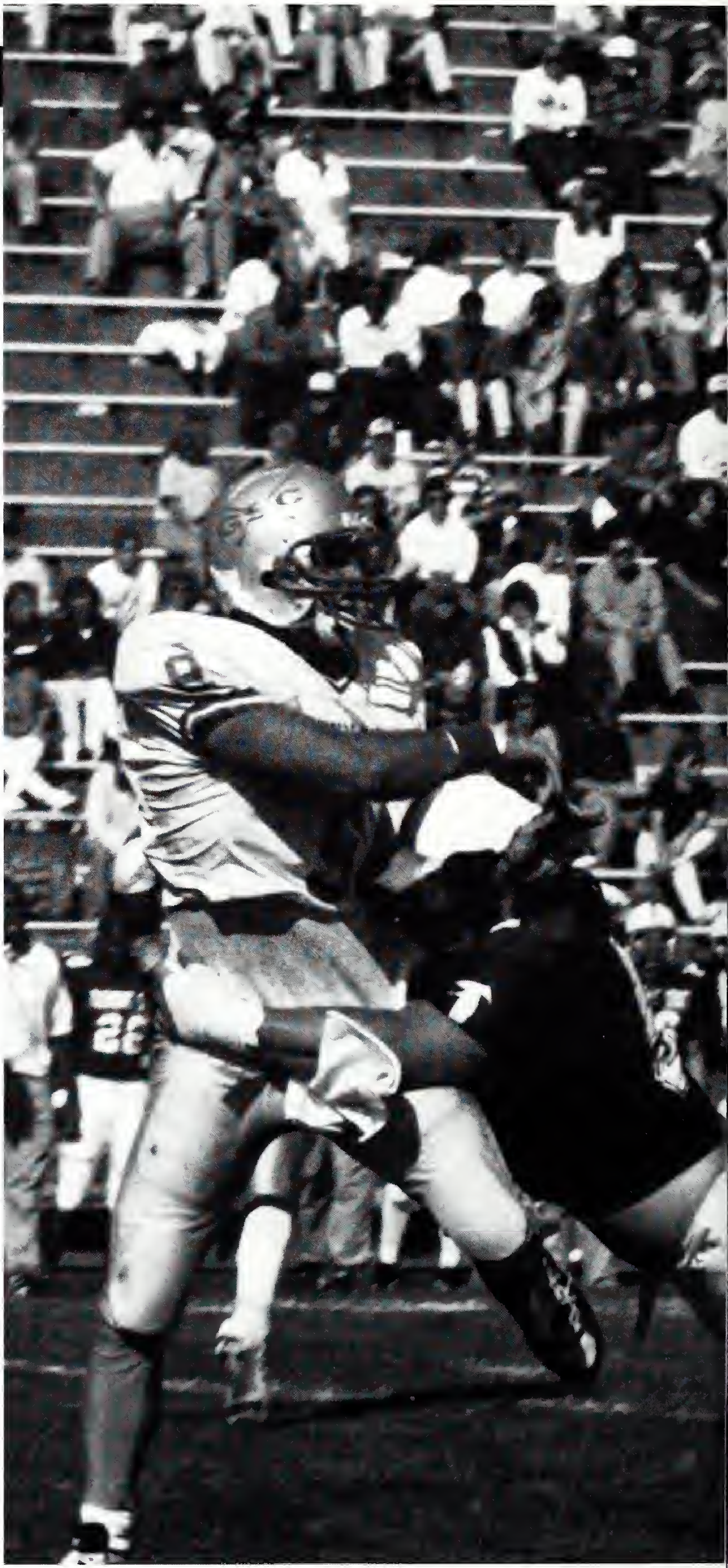
After catching a kick off, number 26 Tim Argabright starts to make his kick-off return. Argabright was a 6'2" freshman.

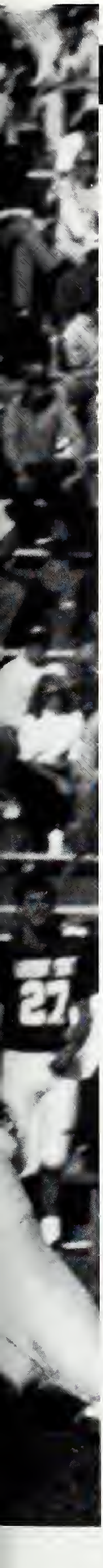




With his helmet on the ground and his hand on his head, Shannon Kundla, number 85, shows how emotional an intense and important game can be.

One defensive player dives forward to tackle Glenville State's quarterback as he releases the ball. The Falcons took on Glenville on October 18 as the highlight of the 1997 Homecoming Week.





Football Schedule

Indiana University (PA)	W
California University (PA)	W
Slippery Rock University	L
Saginaw Valley	L
West Virginia State	L
West Virginia Tech	W
Glenville State	L
Shepherd	L
West Liberty State	W
West Virginia Wesleyan	L
Concord	W

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Two defensive players put a stop to Shepherd's offense at Rosier Field. On October 25 FSC took a disappointing fall, 27-39.

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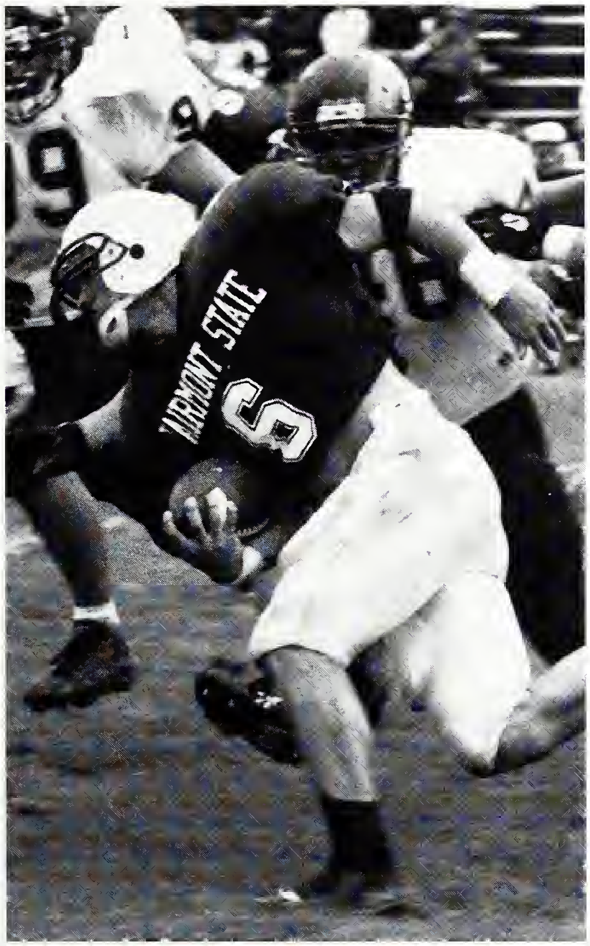

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Senior Mike Joseph, FSC running back, follows a block through a defensive hole to gain important yardage.

As Ryan Shrader and the rest of the offensive line hold off the opponent, the ball carrier makes a run for the outside.

Conducting a successful offense, quarterback Jarrod Furgason hands off to teammate Mike Joseph. Both Furgason and Joseph are Fairmont natives.

Cross Country

One member of the men's cross country team runs over a small bridge and watches where he is going so he is sure to make it to the finish line.

Stopping to take a break between warm-ups and the race, these cross country teammates stop to have some fun before the sweat starts to roll.

359
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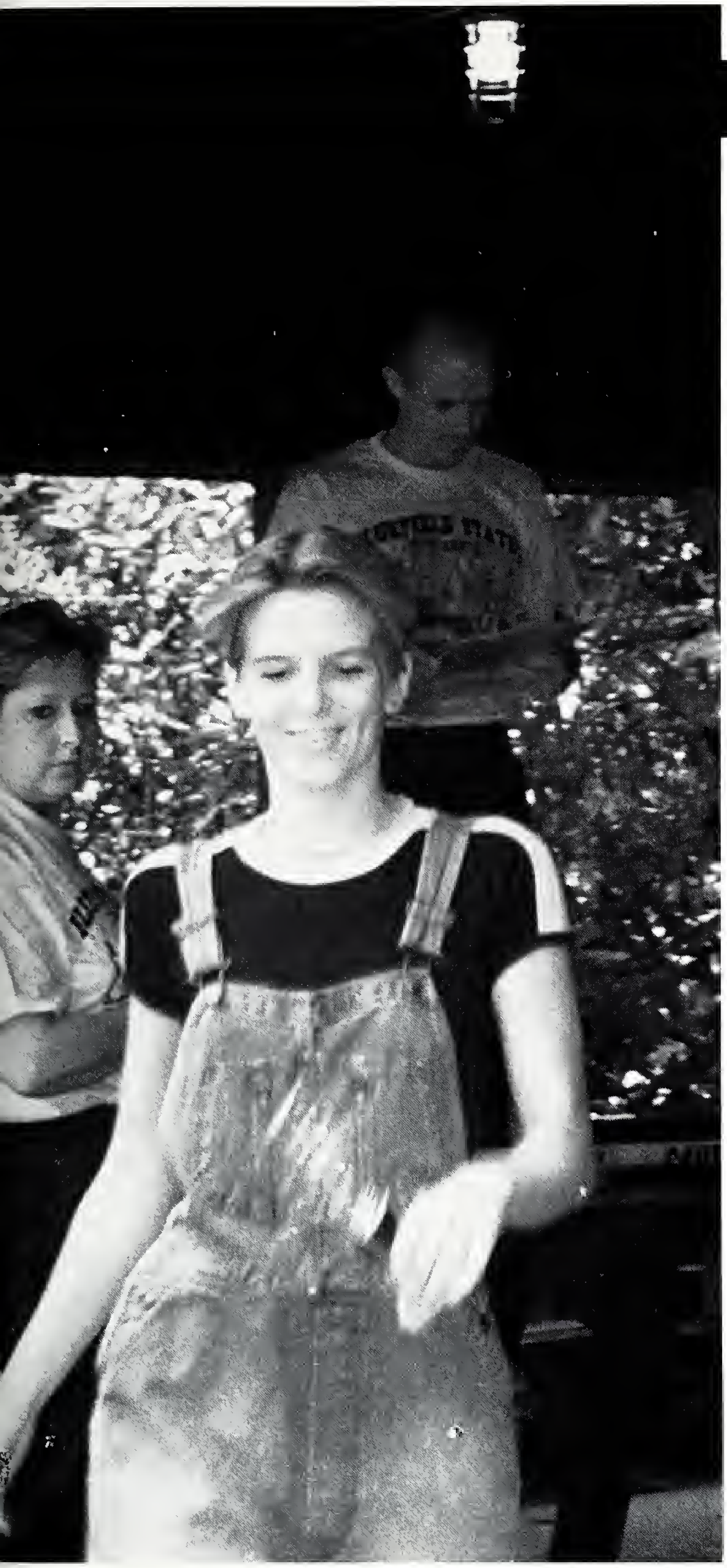
One member of the Men's Cross Country team charges by one opponent and starts to move on to the next.

Jen Robertson walks away with a smile after receiving her 6th place trophy at the Bluefield Challenge. Sixth was the best finish of all the FSC runners.

After winning the Bluefield Challenge, women's cross country team members Amiee Garret, Christy Lott, Jen Robertson, JoAnna Abbott, Amanda Mackey and Coach Larry Mason celebrate.



"Where have all the Falcons gone?" In a crowd of cross country runners, first-year coach Larry Mason sometimes has a hard time picking out his team members.

The men and women on the 1997 cross country team had intense workouts every week, beginning in the heat of mid-August and continuing through the often chilly early November weather.

No Pain, No Gain

Cross Country

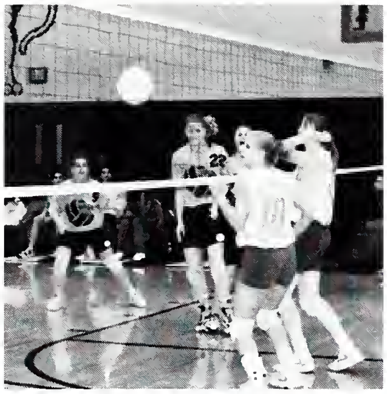
Although the Falcon team didn't always have enough people competing to score as a team, they still managed to place in three different meets. They also ran away with first place out of eight teams in the Bluefield Challenge.

Being a member of the Falcon cross country team meant dedication and hard work, and sometimes, getting lost in the crowd.

Starting to run even before the season starts, these five girls are warming up for the Cleveland Marathon on May 4. Every one of the girls finished in under 4:30 hours.

Volleyball

The opposing team prepares for the ball after a Falcon player, number 10, returns a hit from Salem.



The Fighting Falcons await their next move while the opposing team volleys the ball back to them.

Number 20 for FSC jumps up for a block while number 10 prepares to set the ball for another teammate.

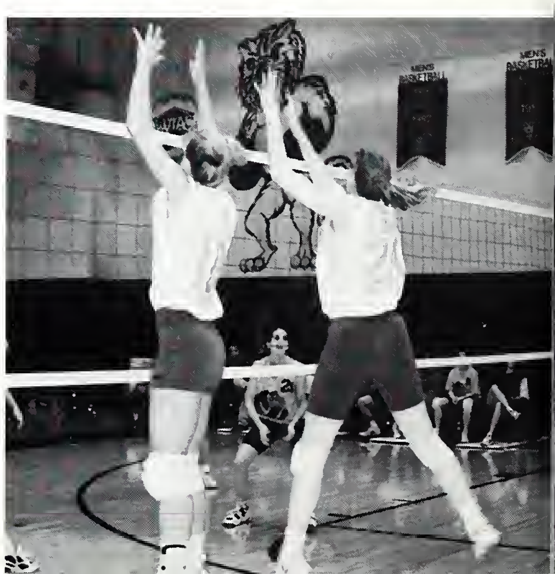
With their knees bent and their eyes focused on the opposing team, the Falcons watch for the outcome of their shot on the other side of the net. Being prepared is half the battle of making a great shot.

Volleyball Schedule

College of WV	W	WV State	W
Concord	W	Wheeling Jesuit	W
Wheeling Jesuit	W	Salem-Teikyo	W
Glenville	W	Alderson Broaddus	W
Colum. Union	W	Shepherd	W
Shepherd	L	Univ. Charleston	L
West Liberty	W	Elon College	L
Lees Mcrae	W	St. Andrews	W
Lins Wilson	W	Elon College	W
Concord	W	Francis Marion	L
WV State	W	Glenville	W
IUP	L	WV Tech	W
Liberty	L	Clarion Univ.	W
Norfolk State	W	WV Wesleyan	L
California State	L	Salem-Teikyo	W
Concord	W	Alderson Broaddus	W
WV Wesleyan	L	WV Wesleyan	L

Record 24-10 **Coach Larry Hill**

Numbers 10 and 20 get ready to block a shot from the Salem-Teikyo Tigers.



In his 14th year as volleyball coach at FSC, Larry Hill had success in different areas this season. A total of 120 games were played during the season and the FSC volleyball teamwas ranked 6th out of 30 in the NCAA Division II.

Overall, they ranked 8th in kills, 10th in assists and 18th in blocks. Hill coached a few athletes who made a name for themselves in the conference. Courtney Fochtman and Andy Daniels were both Conference Players of the Week. Both also made First Team All-Conference and the First Team Division II Atlantic Division.

Game, Set, Match

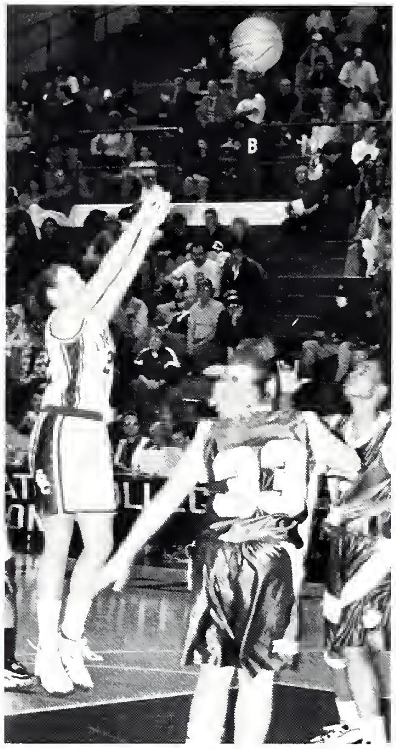
Volleyball

Several players earned honors this year. Devonne Wilson made Second Team All-Conference. Kristy Renfro made honorable mention All-Conference. Although Fochtman, Holly Sutton, and Jennifer Taylor played their final season, FSC volleyball will have young, talented, experienced players back for another exciting season next year.

✱ ✱ **1997-1998 Women's Volleyball Team**

With her arms perfectly positioned, Shea MacCallum shoots to put two points on the board.

While driving the ball to the net, Mikell Vincent gets held up by her opponent.



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No. 42, Fairmont native Mikell Vincent, looks at her opponent while she passes to a teammate beside her. Vincent was a 5'8" sophomore guard .

Head Coach Jim Brinkman gives the Lady Falcons a pep talk and a new game plan during a time-out at a home game at the Feaster Center.

While driving past a Salem-Teikyo player, FSC guard Mikell Vincent shows her emotion and frustration.

Hoopin' It Up

Basketball

This past year marked Coach Jim Brinkman's 13th year at the helm of FSC women's basketball. The Lady Falcons finished the season with a 13-15 record.

Two players accomplished special achievements: Maggie Brivtec, senior, was one of eight players selected for the All-Tournament team and received an award for having the highest scoring average (28 points) in the conference tournament. Kara Morris, sophomore, made first team All-Conference.

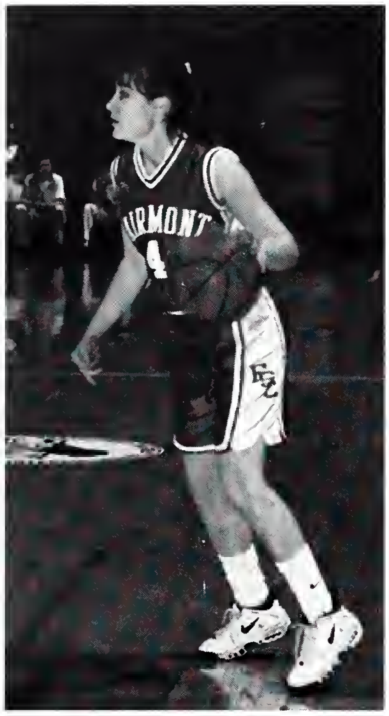
"We were a very young team so we lacked experience. I'm not disappointed with the record at all. We were very competitive [and] played hard. The team had a rocky start, but as the season went on we got better. We are losing only one senior so with the nine players returning and with the talented recruited freshmen coming in next year, I have only four words about next year: We'll be much better!" said Brinkman.

The women's basketball team wore t-shirts that said "Dare to Care!" With the talented young women and Coach Brinkman's words of coaching wisdom, FSC can "Dare to Care" about the seasons to come.

✱ ✱ 1997-1998 Women's Basketball Team

Women s Basketball

With no one in her way, Maggie Britvec looks for an open lane to drive the ball to the hoop.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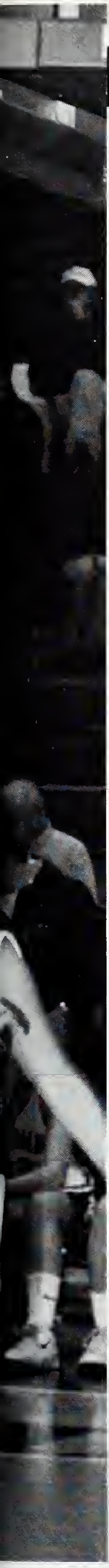
Sophomore Kara Morris steps forward to steal the ball away from the opposing team to prevent them from making a basket.

FSC center Shea MacCallum pushes her way in between a group of Salem Tigers, hoping to come down with the rebound. MacCallum was a 6′2″ freshman from Turtle Creek, WV.

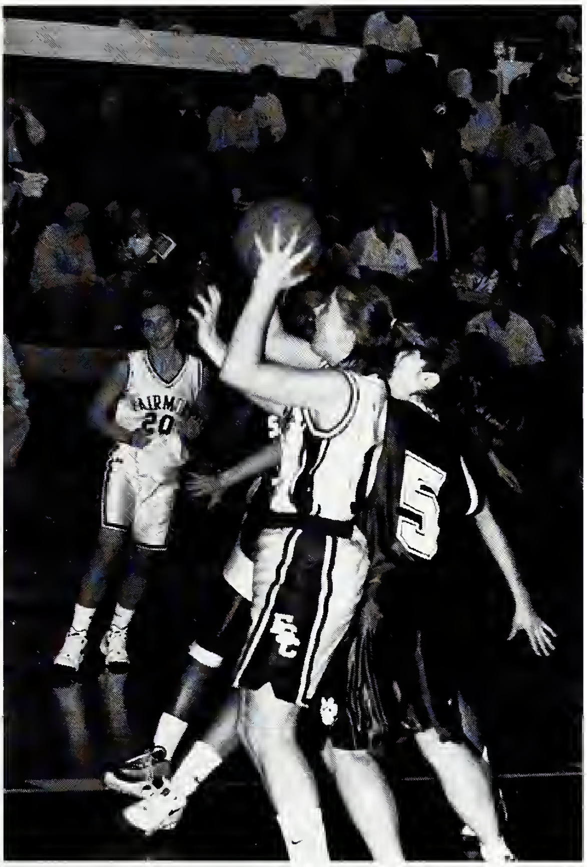


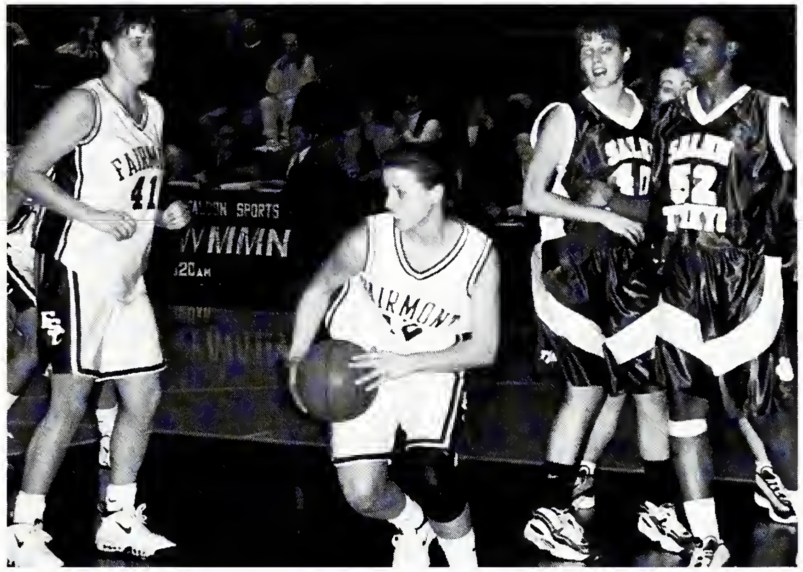
Women's Basketball Schedule

Slippery Rock	L	WV State	L
Geneva	W	Wheeling Jesuit	L
Salem-Teikyo	L	West Liberty	L
Virginia Univ	L	WV Tech	W
Pfeiffer Univ	L	Westminster	W
Bluefield	L	Davis & Elkins	W
Edinboro	L	WV Wesleyan	L
Glenville	W	Salem-Teikyo	W
Concord	W	Shepherd	L
Westminster	W	WV State	W
WV Wesleyan	L	Wheeling Jesuit	L
Charleston	W	West Liberty	L
Alderson Broaddus	L	WV Tech	W
Shepherd	W	Alderson Broaddus	L

Record
12-16

Coach
Jim
Brinkman





One FSC player goes up for two while the other team tries to block her shot. Junior Heather Contraguerro is from Wheeling.

Grabbing the ball from her opponent, FSC guard Mikell Vincent turns to take the ball to the basket for a shot at two points.

Dribbling past an opponent, sophomore Kara Morris drives to the basket. Morris is from Lavalette, WV.

With their hands in the air and excitement in their hearts, the Falcons celebrate a win over the Salem Tigers.

Junior Gerald Snead shoots over his opponent at Salem to contribute to the FSC win.

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CHAMPIONS
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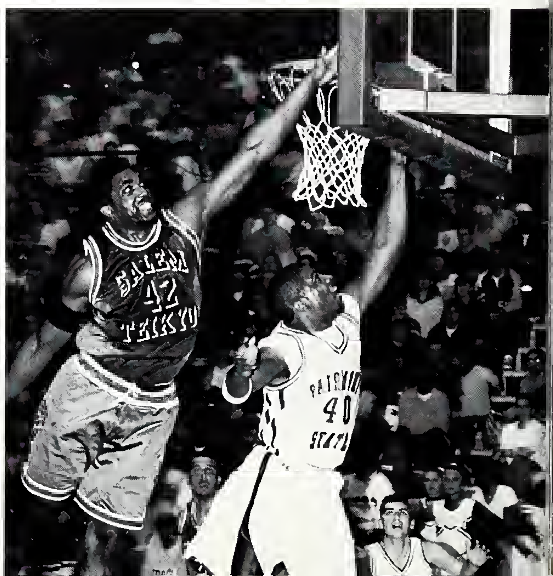
In Louisville, KY, number 32 Dewayne Richardson sends the ball through the net to put two more points on the board for FSC.

One Fighting Falcon positions his body just right to put points on the board in the "Elite Eight" finals. Even though the Falcons took a close fall to St. Rose they held their heads high knowing they were the first to make it there.

Trying to beat his opponent to the basket, Gerald Snead gets the rebound to shoot again. Snead, 6'3", is from Philadelphia, PA.



The FSC men's basketball team had a spectacular season in 1997-98. Under Coach Butch Haswell, the Falcons ended with a 27-4 record, the NCAA Division II East Regional Championship, and a trip to the Elite Eight. The Falcon run ended with an overtime loss to the College of St. Rose (NY). However, it was still the best season FSC has had in recent memory.

NCAA-Bound

Basketball

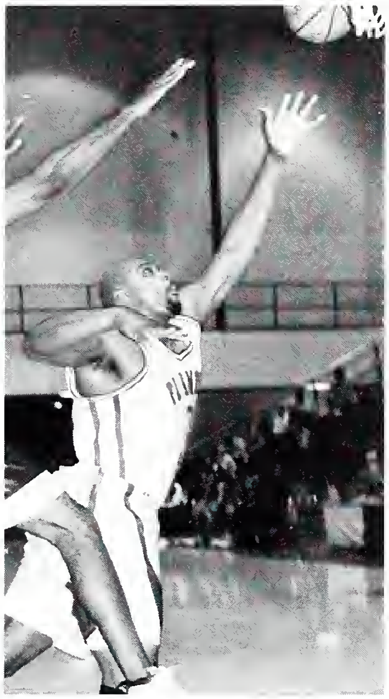
The Falcons were truly a team this year, as each player knew what he had to do to make this season a success. Even without any senior players, the team worked together, epitomizing the spirit of teamwork. Dewayne Richardson and Jerome Turner were the points leaders for the season. James Merriweather finished with the most assists and Gerald Snead ended the season with the best three-point percentage.

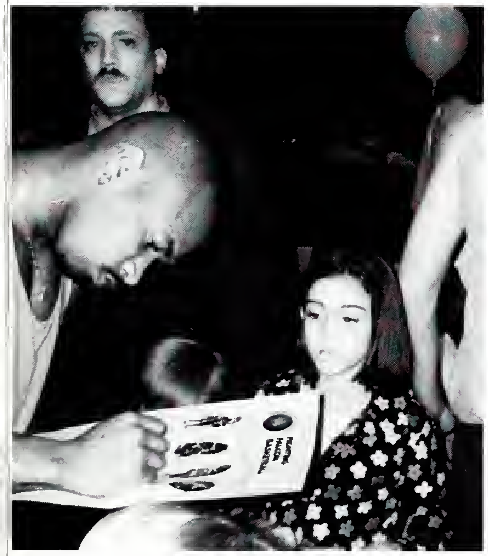
It was a great season for the basketball team, FSC and all supporters.

✱✱ **1998 Elite Eight Men's Basketball Team**

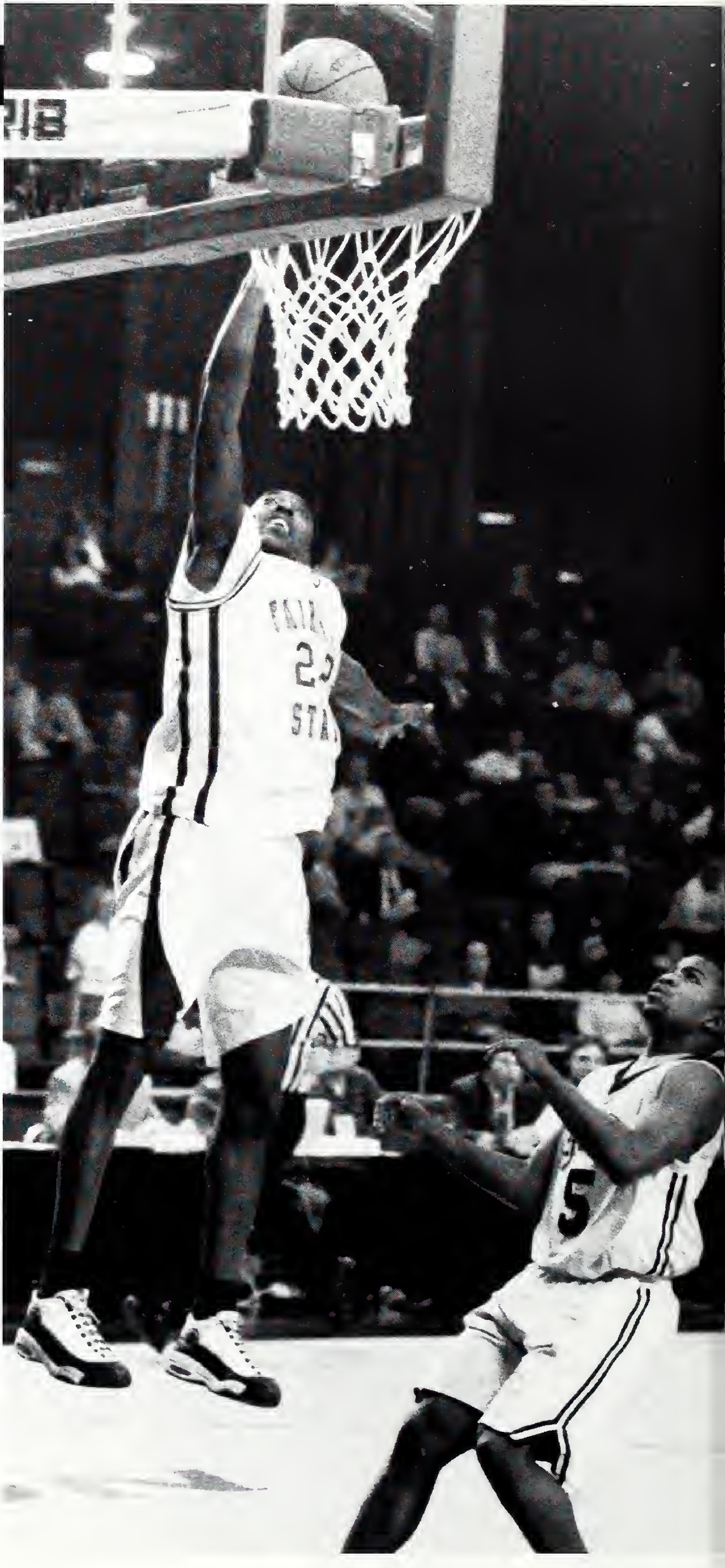
Men s Basketball

Avoiding his opponent, junior Elbert Newton of Petersburg, FL reaches forward to sink the ball for two.





During Falcon Fan Day, number 5 Kevin Johnson signs his picture for children from the Fairmont community. Falcon Fan Day was held in support of the team going to the NCAA Elite Eight.



Guard

Andre Hairston flies high in order to make a layup in the Feaster Center gym. Hairston, a 6'1" sophomore, is from Huntington, WV.

Men's Basketball Schedule

Mt. Aloysius	W
Elizabeth City	W
Pt. Park	W
Wilberforce	W
Salem-Teikyo	L
Alderson Broaddus	W
U. District C	W
Miami	W
East Strouds	W
Glenville	W
Concord	W
Bluefield State	W
Wheeling Jesuit	W
WV State	W
Concord	L
WV Wesleyan	W
Charleston	W
Shepherd	W
WV State	W
Wheeling Jesuit	W
West Liberty	W
WV Tech	W
Davis & Elkins	W
WV Wesleyan	W
Salem-Teikyo	L
Shepherd	W
WV State	W
Pitt-Johnstown	W
Salem-Teikyo	W
St. Rose	L

Record
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Coach
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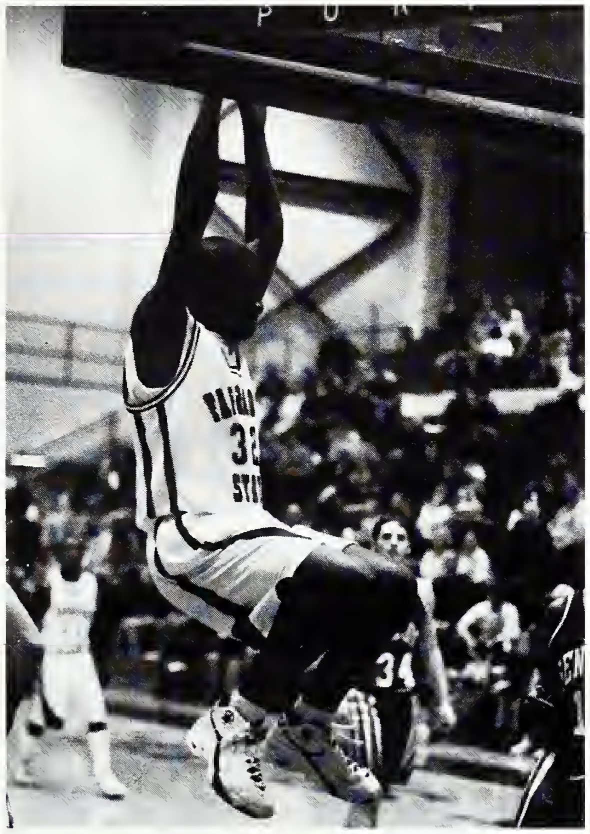
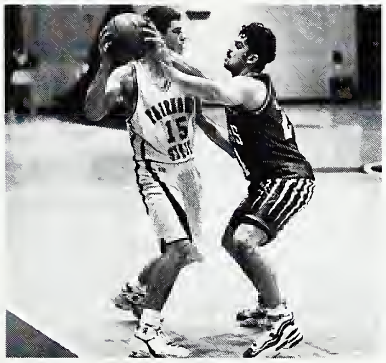


Hanging from the net, Dewayne Richardson takes a breath as he watches the ball fall to the court. Richardson was a 6'6" junior.

Falcon fans show their excitement after FSC makes a basket during their final game in Louisville against St. Rose.



Junior guard Aaron Denham attempts to pass the ball across court around his opponent. Denham was the recipient of the Greg Cecchinelli Memorial Scholarship.

A Year Full of Ups and Downs

Hard Work and Sweat

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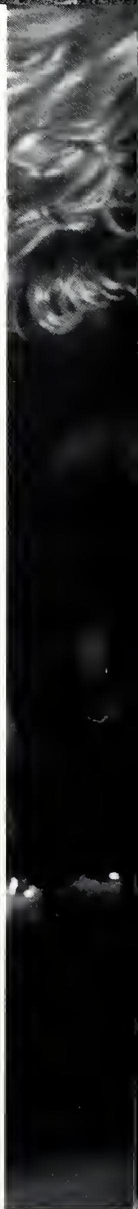

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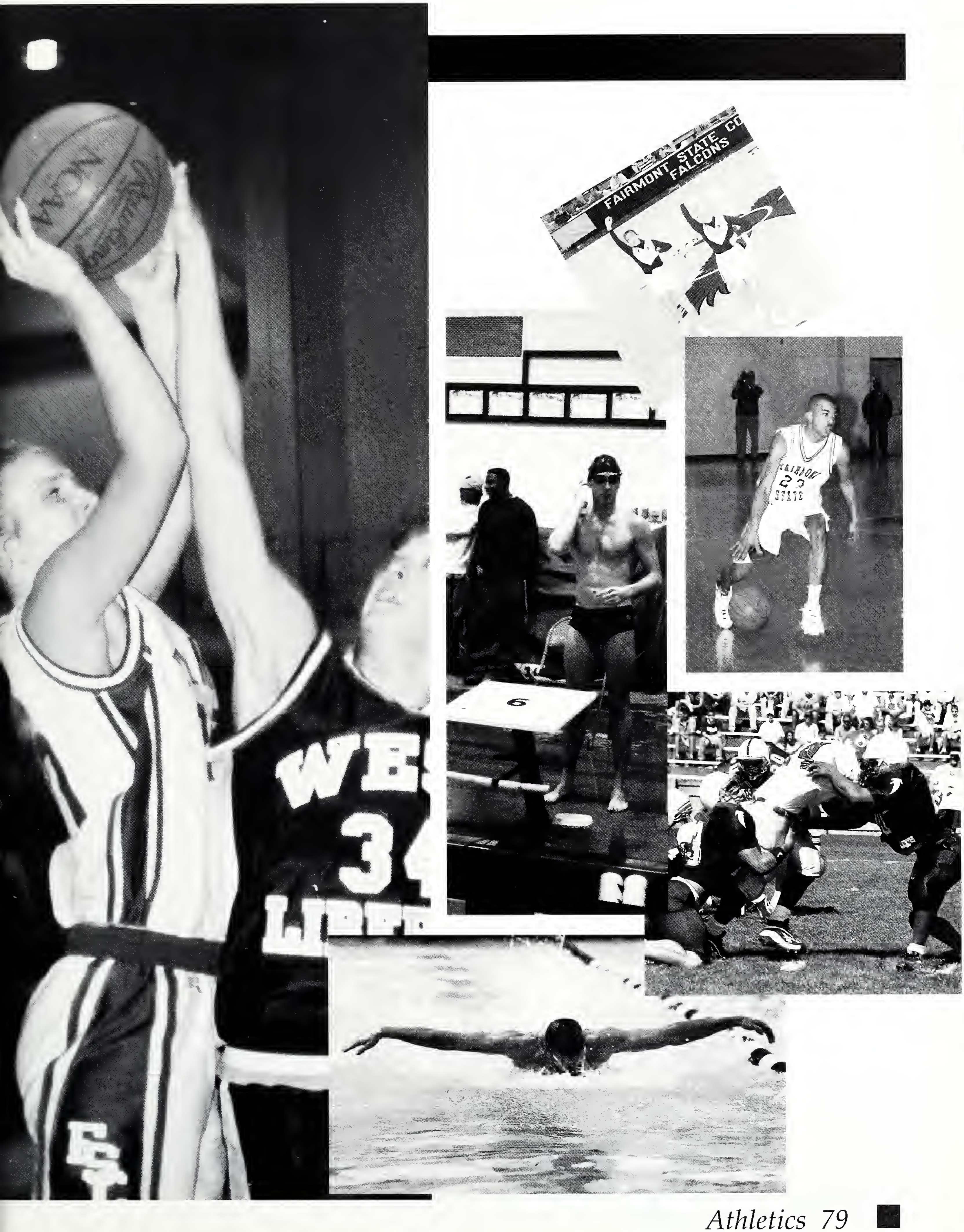
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Women's Rugby

In a game against IUP, the Fairmont State "Chicks" all dive in one pile to recover the ball.

Fly half for the women's rugby team Misty Delauder takes a rest in between quarters.

Heather Swiger cools off with a drink of water after a hard game against IUP.

After winning a close game, the women's rugby team members raise one player in the air to celebrate a last-second score to clinch the game.

Women's Rugby

Coach
Tim
Rice

California Univ. PA	W
Clarion Univ.	W
Indiana Univ. PA	L
Marietta College	W
Clarion Univ.	W
Juniata College	L
Slippery Rock	L
Marshall University	L
California Univ. PA	L

Record
4-5

Rough Play

Women's Rugby

The FSC women's rugby team, the "Chicks", is currently the only female college rugby team in the state of West Virginia. They struggled to keep the team going in their second year of competition, but under the guidance of head coach Tim Rice, they carried on. Both the men's and women's teams were open to any interested FSC students, meeting in the lobby of Pence Hall throughout the academic year.

Although the FSC lady ruggers were still building their team, many members played like seasoned veterans. Contributing on the rugby field this season were scrum members Christy Mace, Melissa Reed, Christie Cunningham and Gwen Delauder. Rugby backs were Babs Steorts, Misty Delauder, Jennifer Douglas, Linda Bozovich, Heather Stout and Cat Swiger.

Coach Rice summed up the appeal of the sport to prospective players: "We play hard; but in the rugby tradition, we also have a good time."

unning down the field for a touchdown, the entire team makes an effort to put a score on the board.

Men's Rugby

In a game against IUP the ref moves in to break up the pile and find out who has the ball.

Walking slowly to catch their breath, the Chicks move to the other side of the field.

Misty Delauder grabs the ball and starts to move downfield to put points on the board as the team's leading scorer.

After a regular season game, Gwen Delauder sits to rest and take care of a sore arm and shoulder that took a beating during the game.

Men's Rugby

Coach
Tim
Rice

Clarion Univ.	W
Carnegie-Mellon Univ.	W
Charleston Men's Club	W
Juniata College	L
Marshall University	L
California Univ. PA	L
South Pitt Men's Club	L
Charleston Men's Club	L
Marietta College	W
Salem-Teikyo Univ.	W
UPJ	W

Record
6-5

Men's Rugby

Rough Play

The men's rugby team, under the direction of Coach Tim Rice, played through all kinds of conditions this year—rain, mud and cold. However, the team and several individual players emerged from the muck and mire victorious.

Jeff Bell was the leading scorer this season with over 150 points, as well as the first team captain. Bell also gave the team their nickname: "Chickenhawks". Brian Sambruco had the distinction of being the first scorer of the season for FSC. Player Buster Culler designed the team patch, and FSC student Neil LoPrinzi designed the team logo.

The team sponsored the annual Valentine's Day Tournament in February, losing to Clarion 12-0, and player Dave Jenab and assistant coach Dave Bragg were named outstanding participants of the contest. Jeremy Harsh and Howard Morris were selected players of the match following a 5-0 victory over Wheeling Jesuit.

Other team leaders for the Chickenhawks were: assistant coach Jeff Smith, John "Rudy" Saxon, Mark Wolfe and Phil Osborne.

oving away from the crowd after a play, Christy Mace and Misty Delauder try to catch their breath before the next play.

Balance and strength are executed by the FSC cheerleaders to build a pyramid at a game in Charleston.

The Falcon cheerleaders show who they feel is number one at the end of one of their floor cheers.

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To show their school spirit and support, the Falcon cheerleaders show off their skills by building a pyramid. This skill and many others led these girls to first place in the WVIAC state competition.

The cheerleaders try to get the crowd enthused at the basketball tournament at the Charleston Civic Center.

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To help the crowd get involved in supporting the Falcons, the cheerleaders use signs to tell to crowd what and when to cheer.

Two spirited cheerleaders show off their friendship before the start of a game.

Jumping Around

Cheerleading

For the past seven years the Fairmont State College cheerleaders have competed and placed first in the WVIAC State Cheerleading Competition and this year was no exception.

The squad starts off every season with 18 girls who all travel and cheer at every game, but for competitions that all changes. Head coach Kristi Kiefer and her assistants have to pick only the strongest 12 girls to compete in all the competitions.

Just like all other sports, cheerleading is a sport where the strength of the squad comes from each team member, not just one or two. Each member is just as important as the others.

As well as competing in their own competitions they are the cheering section for football, basketball and the entire college. These girls work year-round with no off season. Therefore all the girls have to work together and dedication is a major part of being a team member.

The season has been a success for the cheerleaders: besides winning first place in Charleston at the state level for the seventh year in a row, they also placed second at the national competition in Florida in January.

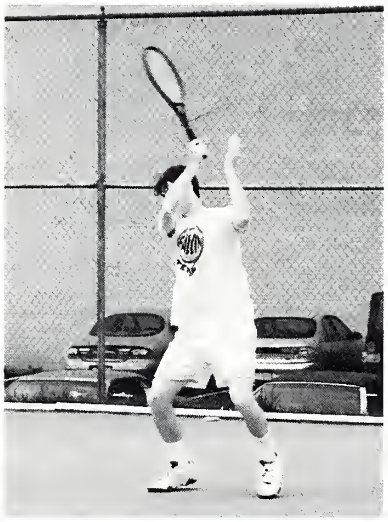
**** 1997-1998 Cheerleading Squad**

Tennis

One FSC tennis player goes to the net for a shot while his teammate backs him up as his doubles partner.

During a warm-up before a match, a men's tennis player practices his serve with a little hand signal to his team mates.

Following through on a forehand, a member of the FSC men's tennis team warms up with a teammate during practice.



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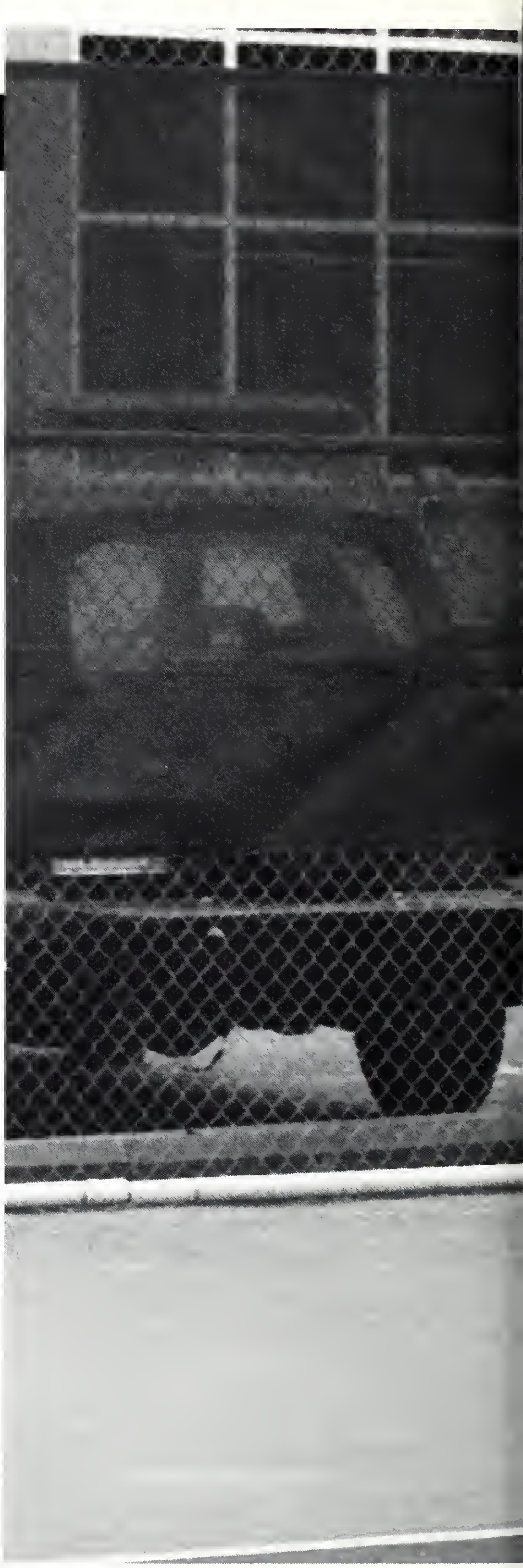

Tennis Schedule

Bluefield West Liberty Slippery Rock Grove City Virginia Military Academy Salem-Teikyo Davis & Elkins WV State University of Charleston WV Wesleyan Frostburg WVIAC Tournament	Coach Rodney Anselene Record 9-8

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Net Gains

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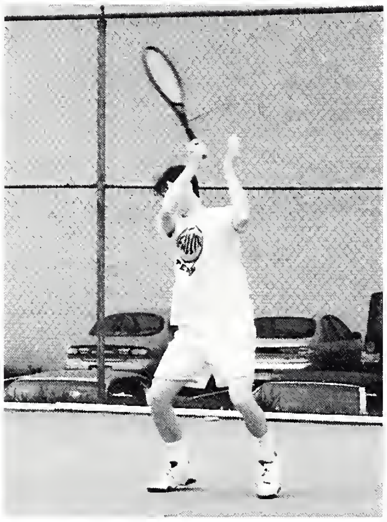

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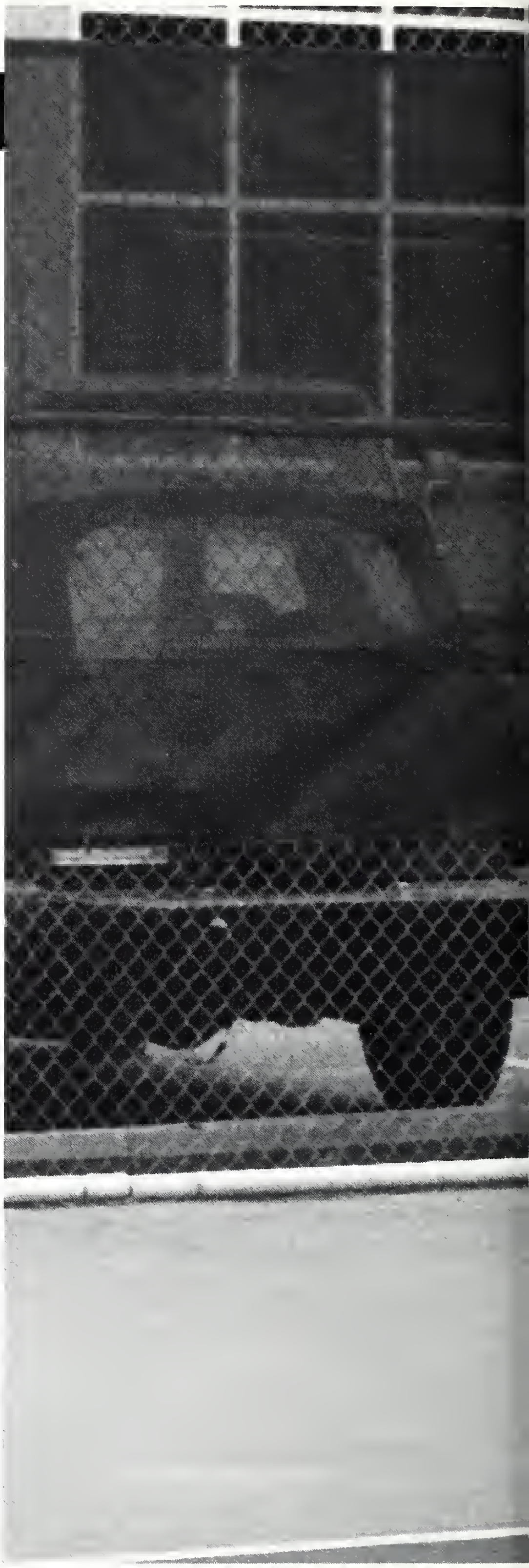

Tennis Schedule

Bluefield
West Liberty
Slippery Rock
Grove City
Virginia Military Academy
Salem-Teikyo
Davis & Elkins
WV State
University of Charleston
WV Wesleyan
Frostburg
WVIAC Tournament

**Coach
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**Record
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★ ★1998 Men's Tennis Team

During a time-out, an FSC player keeps one foot on first base while she gets the new game plan from her coach.

The assistant coach encourages the batter before the swing of the bat.

Number 25 makes contact with the ball and follows through on the swing as her teammate moves off third base.

Number 25 tries to outrun the throw to first base from the U of Cal. (PA) pitcher in a game on campus.

After a successful bunt number three, a left-handed batter, heads down the first base line hoping to advance the Falcon runners and score. The Lady Falcon softball team was playing the University of California (PA) on the FSC campus.

Here's the Pitch

Softball

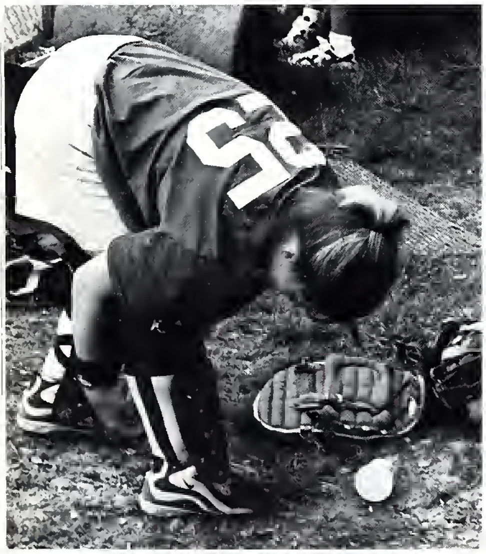
The FSC women's softball team began its season over spring break in Ft. Pierce, Fl. The team was able to earn two wins in six games, although these wins and losses do not show on their regular season record. Brandy Bennett, sophomore outfielder from Summersville, WV, said, "We're just working for tournaments (WVIAC). We're really a young team, so the experience is not all there. And we really should have won more games than the record shows."

The roster for the 1998 team was: seniors Amy McVicker and Jennifer Taylor; juniors Julie Fourman, Stacie Hickman and Jamie Panuke; sophomores Heather Stout, Jessica Stone and Brandy Bennett; and freshmen Eve Sextella, Amber Shaffer, Jamala Stone, Kim Reed and Crystal Camp.

Head coach was Lorri Lipscomb and assistant coach was Michelle Rafus.

Softball

Third baseman for the softball team, number 9, tosses the ball home to the catcher in warm-ups before a game.



The catcher for the FSC softball team, number 25, rushes to put back on her protective gear to take the field again just after she was up to bat.

FSC infielder holds the ball in her glove as she runs forward before throwing it to the pitcher to stop the play.

Softball Schedule

Davis & Elkins
Salem-Teikyo
WV Wesleyan
Shepherd College
West Liberty
WV State
Waynesburg
Concord
Univ. of Charleston
Bethany College
West Virginia Tech
Ohio Valley College
Alderson Broaddus
WVIAC Championship

Coach
Lorri
Lipscomb

Record
10-21

Stepping forward to throw the ball home, number 4 swings back her arm and fires forward with force behind the ball.

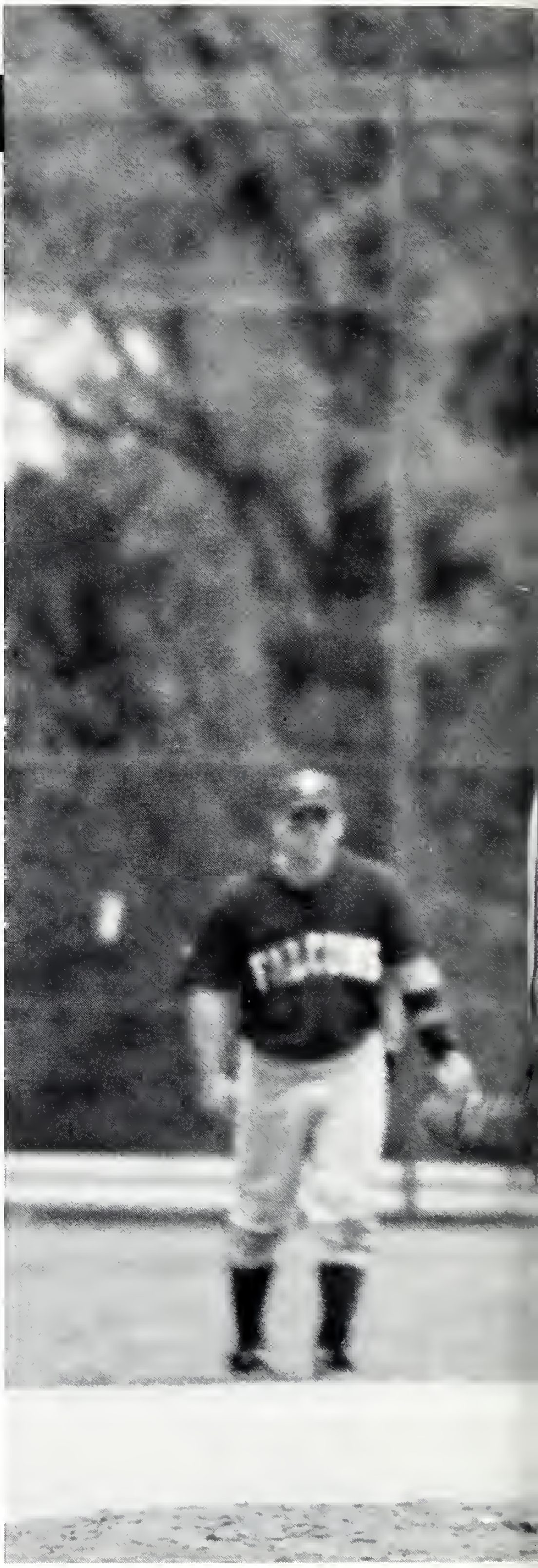
While taking a refreshing drink, one FSC softball player gets tired of holding her mitt and decides to have a little fun while she rests.

Before a game the FSC softball coach talks to her assistant coach about the line-up for the game as her team is warming up.

Number 25 follows his body with the bat in his follow-through as he swings, warming up before stepping up to the plate.

Swinging and missing the ball, number 3 for FSC makes up for it with the next pitch when he hits a double.

FSC's pitcher stands on the mound, winding up with his feet in just the right position and his concentration on the pitch written all over his face.



With his shoulders in perfect alignment and the bat swinging back, this team member strikes out after fouling the ball twice.

FALCONS
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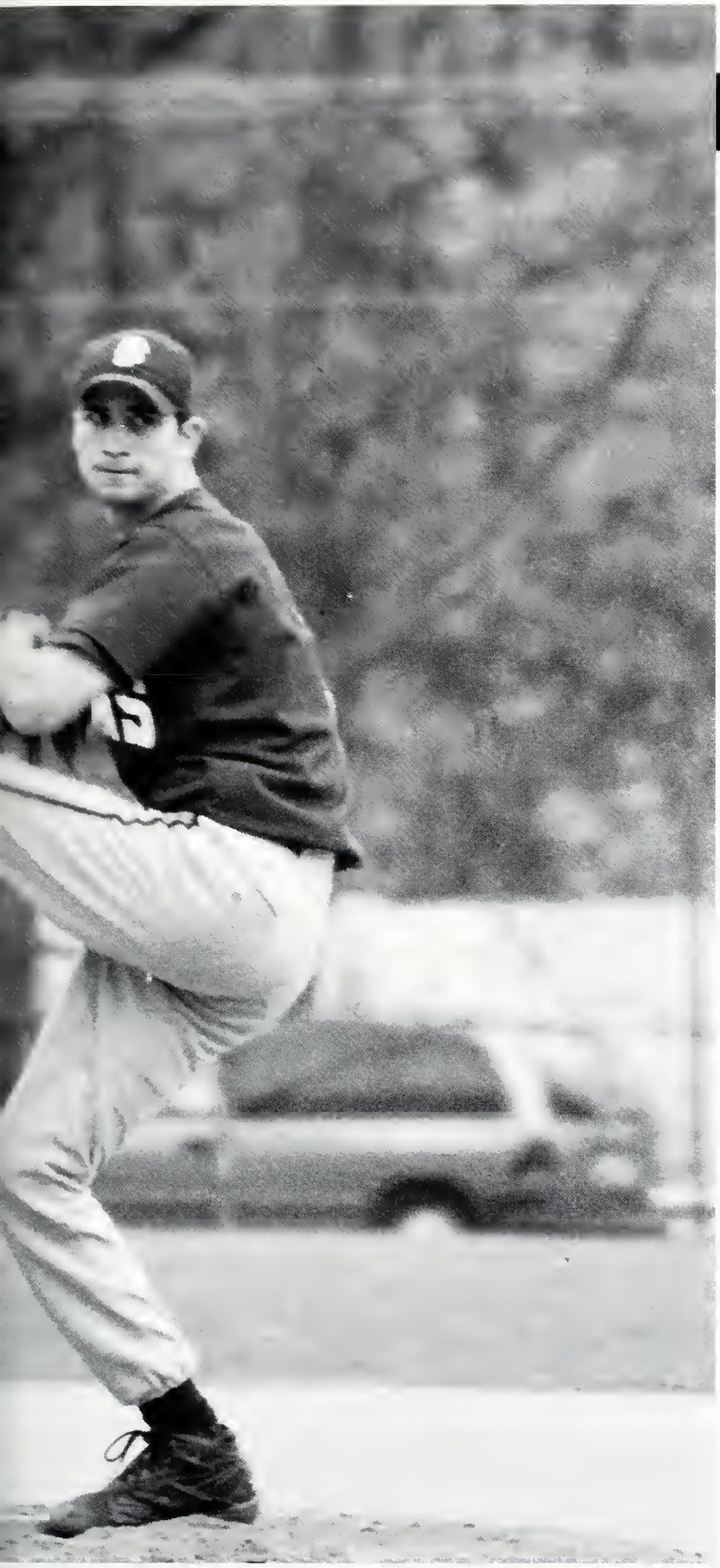
Before the start of a home game, three players take a break.

After being walked, an FSC player runs to first, then steals second base.



In 1994, Walt Disney released the movie "Angels In The Outfield". Here at Fairmont State, Coach Donnie Retton has his own angels playing at Rosier Field. Ending their 1997 season 20-18-1, the 1998 team had high hopes for another winning season. The team started their season by going to Georgia for training over spring break, where they faced many skilled teams. Retton was looking forward to a great season when he said, "We have a young team and I think that we can go all the way."

Swing, Batter!

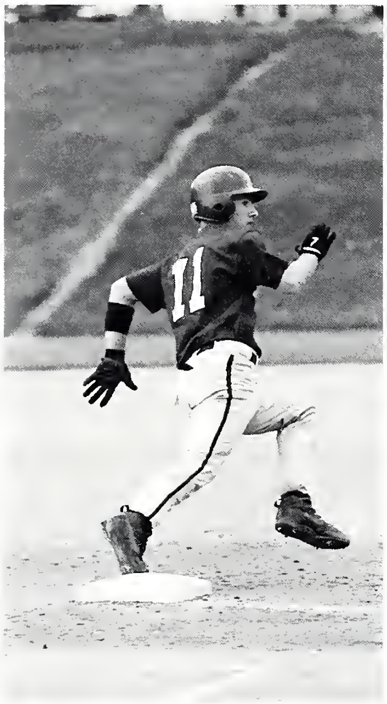
Baseball

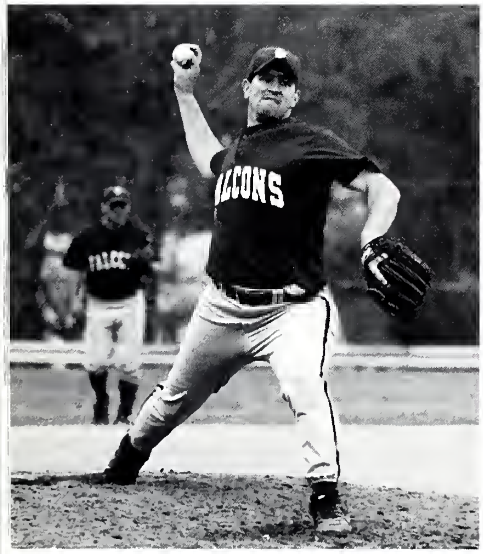
The FSC baseball team started off great by winning their first two games. Then the team went on to win four of their first nine of the season. Throughout the season the baseball team was led by Jon Argabrite and Mike Dotson with the two highest batting averages. Also leading the team with their strong arms were pitchers Brian Bell, with two shutouts against Paine College, and David Maust with two recorded wins as a relief pitcher. With these two players and the rest of the FSC team behind them, the team ended their season on an upswing.

★ ★ 1998 Baseball Team

Baseball

After hitting the ball into right field, number 11 rounds first base as he watches the outfielder and the ball.





With his arm pulled back to get more power behind the ball, the FSC pitcher stretches his body forward to get the ball in the strike zone.

Stepping forward off the pitcher's mound, the pitcher throws with great force right through the strike zone, striking out the batter.

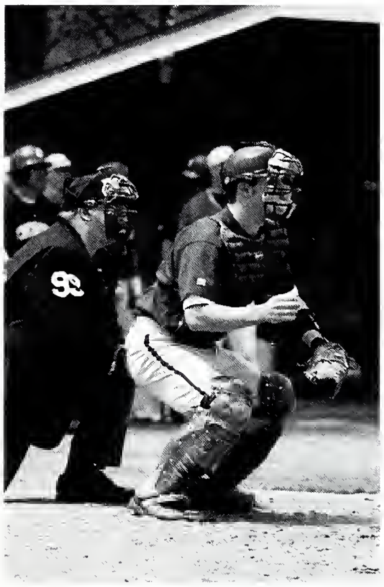
Baseball Schedule

Paine College
Paine College
State Univ. of West GA
State Univ. of West GA
Kennesaw State Univ. of GA
State Univ. of West GA
Kennesaw State Univ. of GA
Piedmont College GA
Piedmont College GABowie State
Lock Haven
Slippery Rock Univ.

WV Tech
Salem
Bluefield
Davis & Elkins
Charleston
Alderson Broaddus
Concord
West Liberty
WV State
Shepherd
WV Wesleyan

Coach Donnie Retton

Number 16 vs. number 16 on a race for second base: FSC ended up with the ball and tagged the runner out at the last second.



Standing up to catch a high pitch, the FSC catcher keeps the ball in front of him to keep on top of the game.

Squatting down to bunt, this FSC batter catches the infielders off guard when the ball falls right in front of him.

After releasing the pitch to the batter, FSC pitcher number 25 has a flat back to give the ball the right direction.

■ During one home basketball game the FSC fans came out in full force to show their support for the Falcon basketball team.

Campus Faces

Campus Faces

The people who attend classes, walk across campus, get involved or are simply registered at FSC made the year what it was. The people were not just faces, they were students, faculty, staff and administration. These faces show the many different personalities of FSC.

This past year Fairmont State faces saw a lot: Mike Joseph made a name for himself as a part of Falcon football history, Coach Butch Haswell and his spectacular basketball team made it all the way to the first round of the Elite Eight tournament in Louisville, Kentucky and FSC faces saw one of the much-admired instructors, Dr. Gregory Hinton, become Professor of the Year. FSC saw swimmer Dave Williams get national attention for his heart and dedication to academics and athletics. But it wasn't just these people who made FSC so unique--it took everyone here. The combination and dedication between faculty, staff, administrators and most importantly, FSC's student body, put FSC on top.

There were many different faces in all different sizes and shapes, different interests, different goals and different lives. But each one of these faces had one thing in common: Pride and belief in FSC and their education.

Portraits

Student Focus...

"Articulate, intelligent and poised, Leighanne is a fine, well-rounded student."
• *Martin L. Bond, Language and Literature*

Leighanne Mazure, a senior English major, enjoys helping with the production of plays at FSC. She was responsible for finding props for the productions. Mazure often donates blood and she *never* plays the *Titanic* soundtrack at parties as a community service. She is the daughter of Ken and Sharon Mazure of Grant Town. Her special interests include designing video labels, painting shirts, and other forms of "copyright infringement". The three words that she says most describe her are, "Where're my keys?"

Senior Leighanne Mazure

Alexeev - Helmick

Serguei Alexeev
Chet Bond
Cheryl Bradley
Chari Chenoweth

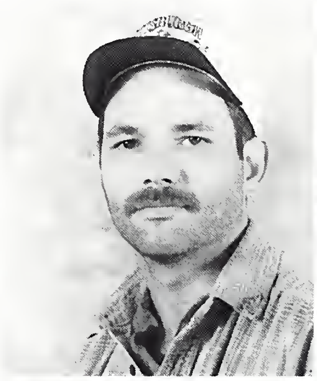
Michelle Conrad
Michelle Cook
Tom Cordwell
Virginia Cunningham

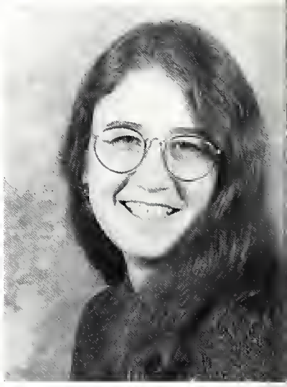
Bobby Delaney
Duke Dodd
Wendy Eddy
Mariah Glasscock

Bonnie Greathouse
Philip Hanline
Peggy Harner
David Helmick

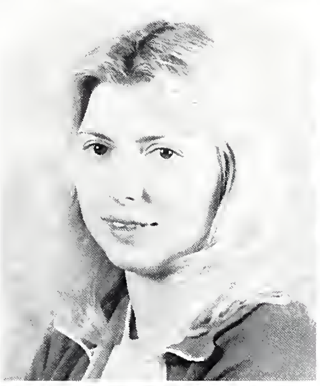
Hoffert - Miller

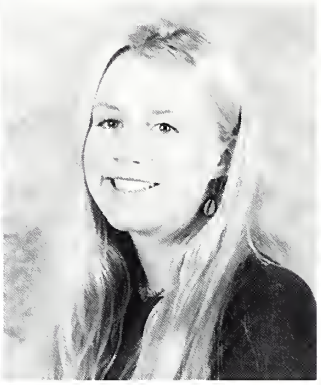
Rudy Hoffert
Wesley Hood
Angela Hurley
Sadanna Justin





Tammy Kelley
Carolyn Kirby
Jenna Kirchartz
Jennifer Knight





Dorothy Koert
Melanie Krupinski
Keith Krysz
Marc Madia

Chad McDonald
Beth McGinnis
Jason McGraw
JP Miller

Student Focus...

"She is very active in research as well as music, and shows great academic excellence."
•*Dr. Mark Flood*

Jamie Brewer, junior, of Clarksburg was selected as the top applicant in the nation to study at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland during the fall 1998 semester. Brewer was one of 20 students selected to participate in biochemical research projects. Brewer, daughter of John and Terry Brewer, was a third-year biology major and chemistry minor, and attended FSC on a Valedictorian Foundation Scholarship. While she attended FSC she maintained a 4.0 grade point average, was vice-president of Beta Beta Beta Biology Honorary, a member of the American Chemical Society and a member of the West Virginia Academy of Science.

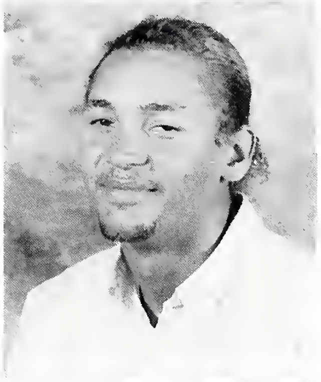
Senior Jamie Brewer

> **"JP is a special person who blessed our campus for far too short a time. FSC is better for him being here."**
> *•Michael Belmear, Vice President of Student Affairs*

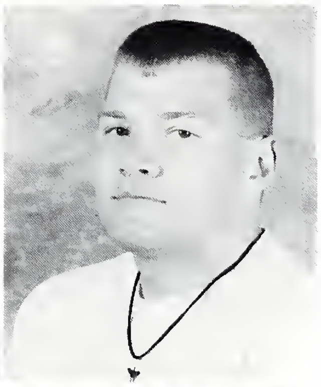
JP Miller was a senior majoring sociology and minoring in speech communication. Miller was the student government treasurer and he assisted in allocating the student government budget, planned and organized the Homecoming parade, and acted as chairman of the Student Advisory Council. Miller was also a counseling assistant, a member of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, co-director of new student orientation, and a Student Ambassador. Miller was a finalist in the MM Neeley Oratory contest, received the Student Government Member of the Year award, the Frank Pulice Jr. Scholarship Award, and was named in Who's Who Among American College and University Students.

Senior JP Miller

Minamikawa - Thompson

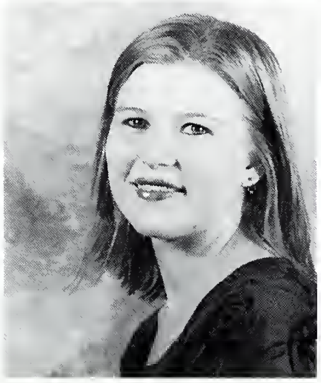


Yaeko Minamikawa
Andrea Myers
Mary Nicholson
Michael Nuzum



Anne Olson
William Olson
Bryan Phillips
William Prunty

Michelle Reinhart
Craig Schimidl
Erica Shelestak
William Smith

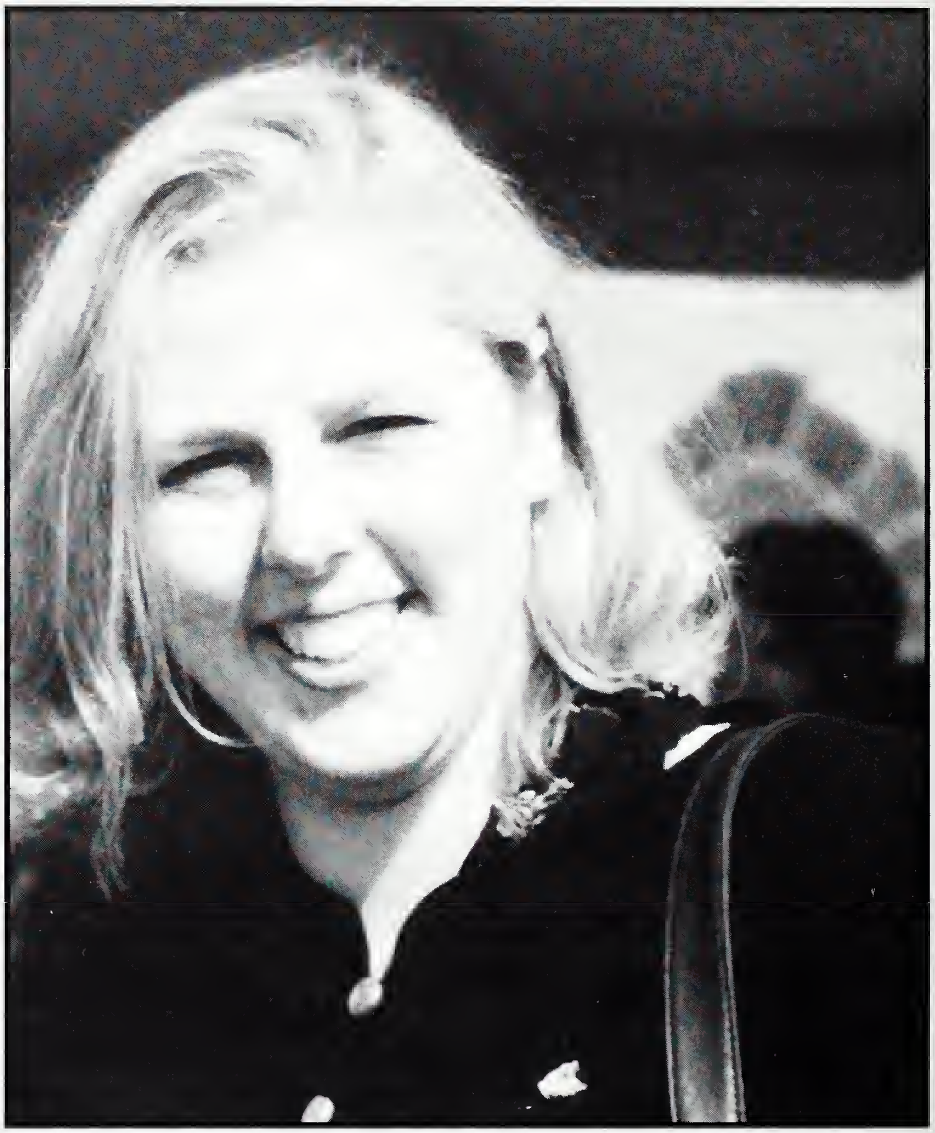


Jill Strole
Hadiza Sule
Janon Summers
April Thompson

Jeff Toms
Don Welks

> "Jackie's spontaneity and enthusiasm were contagious during the play *Heidi Chronicles*."
> •Faith Morgan

Jackie Iquinto is a senior psychology major originally from Bridgeport, WV. During her four years at FSC, Iquinto was an active member of Delta Zeta sorority, where she served as vice-president. She was a freshman counselor for three years, copy editor of the yearbook for one year, and part of the cast of the play *Heidi Chronicles*. She was also a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. Iquinto is the daughter of Pete and JoAnn Iquinto.



Senior Jackie Iquinto

Student Focus...

"Chuck came to us and volunteered his time last fall. His technical knowledge, as well as his publication experience, made him a valuable addition to Student Publications."
•Beth Slusser, Student Publications advisor

Charles "Chuck" Fry is a freshman with a 3.0 grade point average. Fry is a member of the Non-Traditional Student Society and is a member of *The Columns'* staff. He is also a member of various veterans organizations and publishes a newpaper for veterans called *The Mountain State Veteran*. Fry has a wife, Kelly, and a 14-year-old daughter, Misty. Fry enjoys internet surfing, writing, photography, PlayStation("Tomb Raider II"), but most of all anything that includes his wife and daughter. Fry feels that the three words that best describe him are: emotional, honest and romantic.

Freshman Chuck Fry

Student Focus...

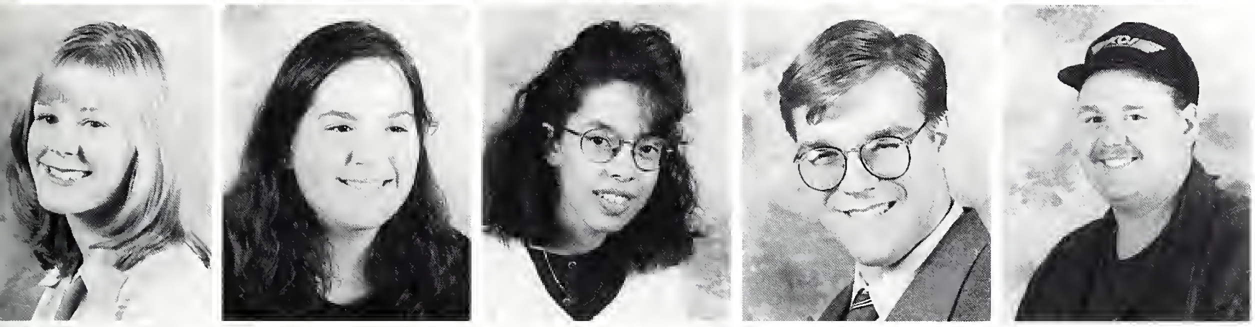
> **"Amy is a well-rounded student and a hard worker."**
> • *The Education Department*

Amy Bolyard is an elementary education major originally from Belington, WV. Bolyard is the daughter of Martha and Andy Bolyard. She was a member of Delta Zeta sorority for two years. Bolyard observed in a third-grade class at Barrackville Elementary School. In her spare time she enjoys watching movies, taking long walks and any other outdoor activities. Bolyard was a waitress at the Medallion Restaurant in Philippi, WV.

Junior Amy Bolyard

Albright - Davis

Josh Albright
Adam Andrick
Tricia Arbogast
Elsie Rebecca Baker
Melissa Baker



Mary Beam
Marjie Berry
Rebecca Berdine
William Biro
Gregory Bland

Robert Blosser
Amy Bolyard
Marianne Brown
Robert Brown
Scott Bucklew

Wade Carpenter
Marketa Carr
Corbett Cloudus
Chris Conner
Beth Cook

Christina Cook
Michael Crumit
Andrew Dalton
Carla Davis
Cathy Davis

Davis - Hughes

James Davis
Holly Devins
Holly Dalton
Jennifer Douglas
William Enders

Shane Finster
Brian Fleak
Jodi Fortney
Charles Fry
Randy Glasscock

Shannon Grindo
April Hanna
Amy Hamptal
Robert Hawk
Yakari Hazama

Mary Hayes
Stephen Heater
Robert Heck
Erin Heiney
Christopher Herrod

Megan High
Angel Hill
Joyce Howard
Beth Huffman
Sonya Hughes

Student Focus...

"Nancy is the top student in the department who is a non-traditional, holds a job and raises a family."

•*Health and Human Performance Department*

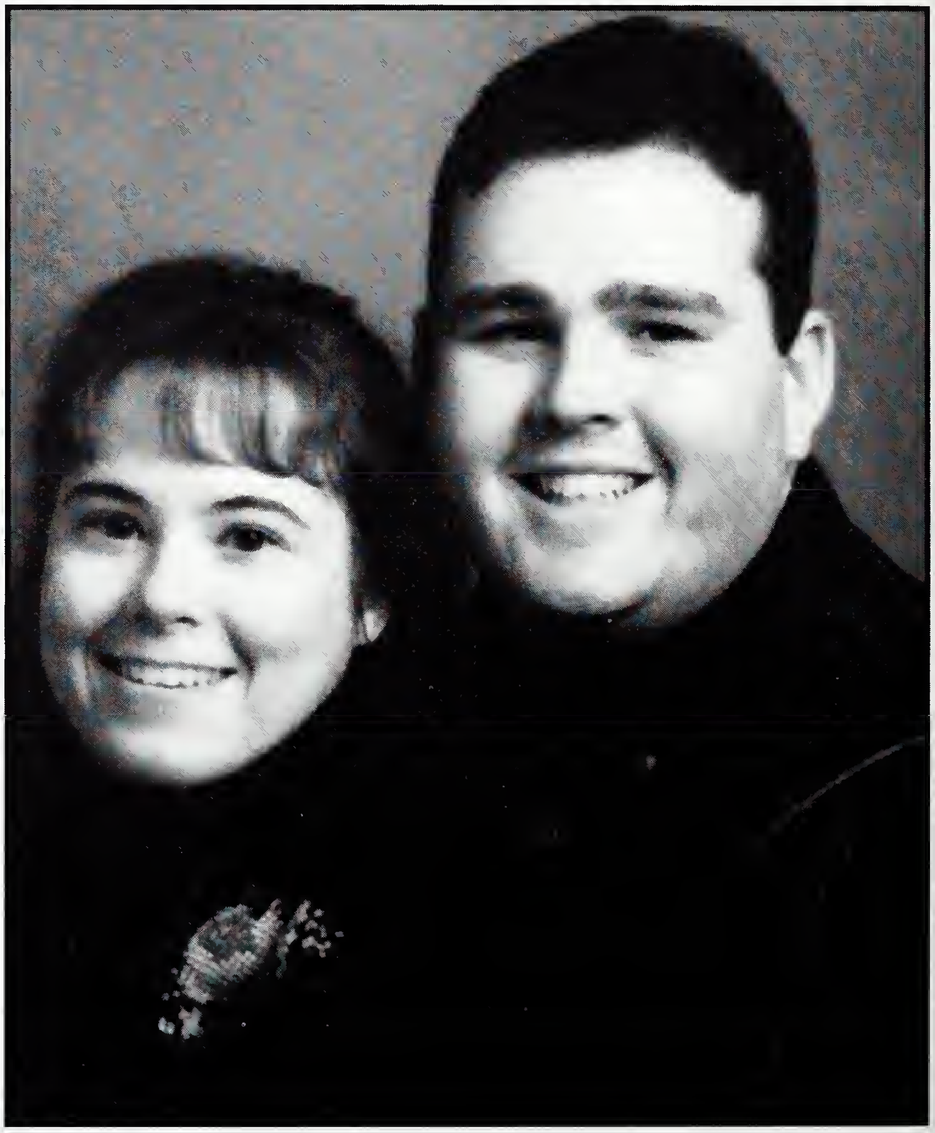
Nancy Naternicola is a physical education and health major. She is a dean's list senior with three children and a husband of 26 years, Joe Naternicola, assistant football coach for the Falcon football team. Naternicola has worked as an American Council on Exercise Certified Personal Trainer / Aerobic Instructor for 16 years. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society and was HPERS Major's Club treasurer (96-97,98). Naternicola was the 1997 Outstanding Health & Human Performance Award winner and the 1997 Business & Professional Women's Scholarship Award recipient. She enjoys horseback riding, rollerblading, skiing, sailing, hiking, playing tennis, golf and volleyball.

Nancy Naternicola

Student Focus...

> **"David is a very good student who enjoys reading and working with computers, excellent interests for one planning a career in librarianship."**
> •*Bob Masters*

David Reaser is a senior English education major with a second specialization in library science with a 3.8 grade point average. Reaser is a member of Kappa Delta and is a student worker in both the Library and the computer lab in the Education Building. Reaser is married to Cynthia Reaser, also a student at FSC. He is also a huge Pittsburgh Steelers fan amd enjoys reading. During the summer Reaser is involved with the Upward Bound Program at Salem-Teikyo University. Three words that he says best describe him are: witty, industrious and personable.



Senior David Reaser

Johnson - Merchant

Andrew Johnson
Jeremiah Johnson
Misty Johnson
Michael Johnston
Michael Jolliff

John Kester
Amanda Ketchem
Barbara Knotts
Karen Knotts
Juanita Lantz

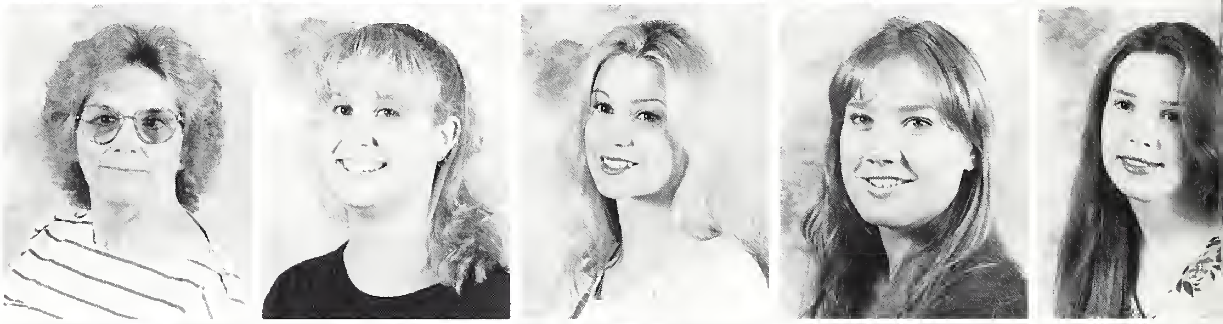
Sara Lantz
John LaRae
Brian Lauffer
Sarah Lewis
Sundar Maharjan

Manil Maskey
Barb Mayle
Allen McCollam
Heather McCoy
Christopher McDaniel

Shawn McDaniel
Chad McIntyre
Amie McKennzie
Anthony Metz
Michael Merchant

Miller - Singer

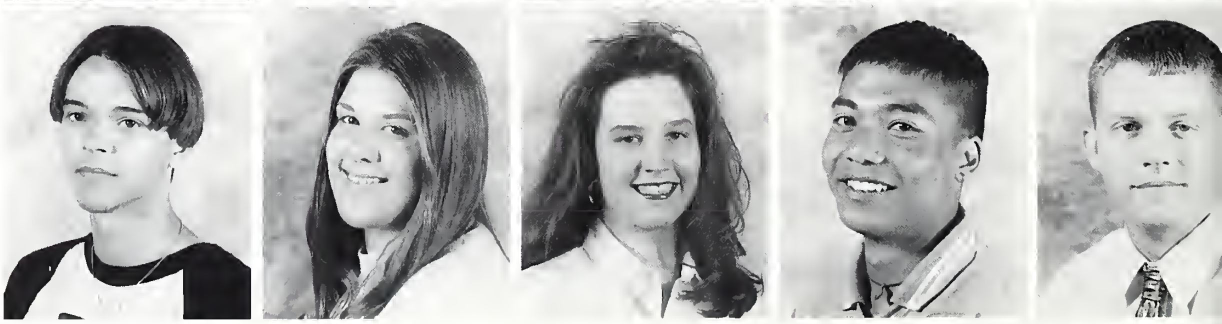
Shawn Miller
Delmer Myers
Robert Myers
Timothy Neal
John Norris



Kathleen Pendleton
Kelly Phillips
Kim Phillips
Jill Pile
Tracy Pittman

Terry Powell
Charles Pyles
Lisa Ranelli
John Reesman
Karen Richards

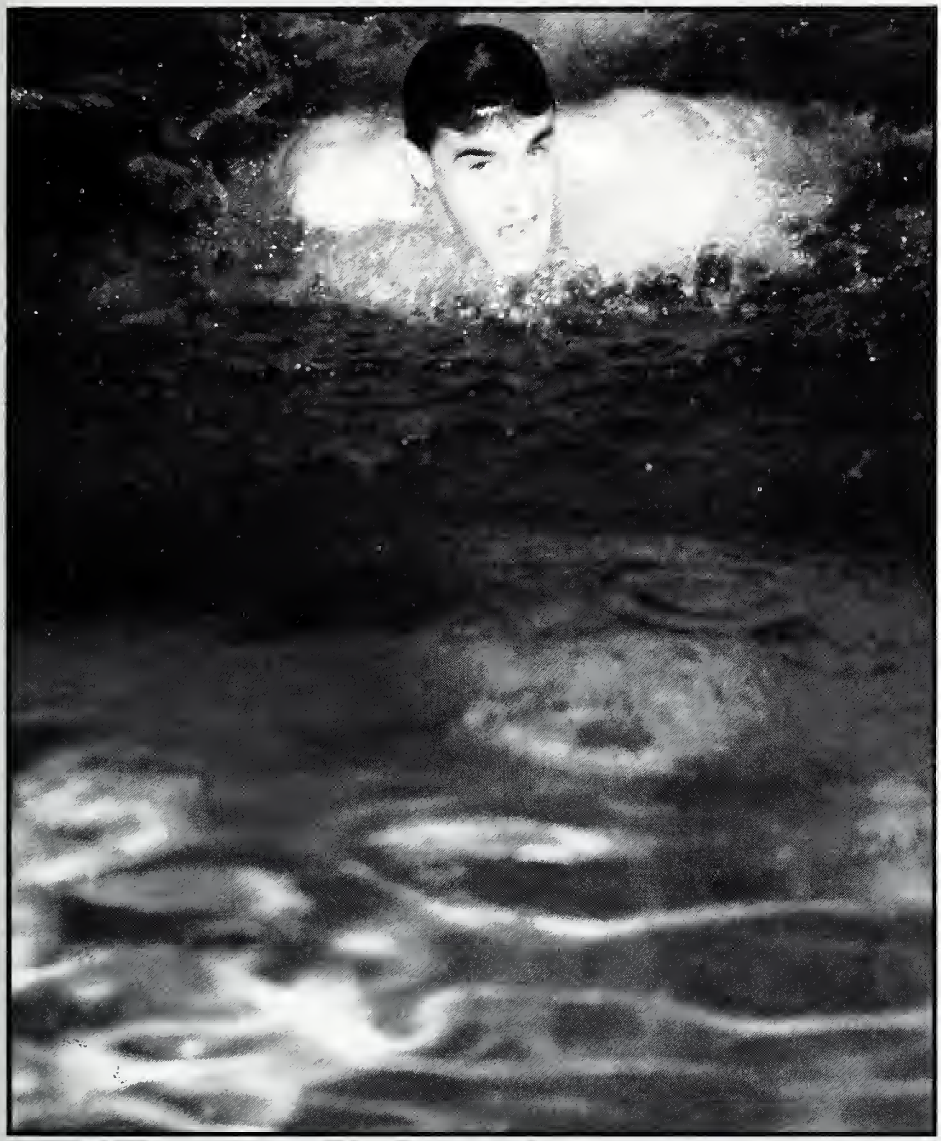
Shay Ryan
Yaichi Sato
Andrea Schoonover
Eve Sexstella
Rebecca Jones-Seymour



Justin Shaw
Crystal Shahan
Christina Short
Suman Shrestha
Christopher Singer

Student Focus...

"Dave is the definition of a student athlete. He did a great job of handling his academic priorities and meeting his athletic goals; athletics was a means to an end for Dave."
•Ed Denny, FSC swim coach



Dave Williams, a senior, received honorable mention when *USA Today* selected its Ninth Annual All-USA College Academic Team. Williams was one of only 110 students chosen from a pool of 1,194 candidates submitted by their schools, and he was the only person selected from a WV state college. The chemistry and mathematics major from Belle Vernon, PA has maintained a 3.85 grade point average. Williams also served as co-captain of the FSC swim team and was named an NAIA All-American in swimming two times. He was also named the 1995-96 and 1996-97 WVIAC Male Student-Athlete of the year.

Senior Dave Williams

Faculty Focus...

"Dr. Donald A. Moroose is recognized as an outstanding teacher, advisor, committee member and counselor who is well-respected by the surrounding school systems and sister institutions."
•*Colleagues*

Dr. Donald Moroose is one of the senior faculty in the Education Division, having joined the faculty in 1969. He is widely recognized as an outstanding teacher, advisor, committee member and counselor by his colleagues and students alike. In addition, he is equally well-known and respected by his colleagues in the surrounding public school system and at FSC's sister institutions. Moroose's family is the most important thing to him. His wife, Lynda, is a nurse and he has two children, Andrea, 28 and Steven, 26, and one grandchild, Emily. Moroose graduated from FSC in 1965 and WVU in 1970.

Dr. Donald A. Moroose

Sitar - Yacenech

T.K. Sitar
Mitch Snider
John Spadafore
Jeremy Springer
Elliott Stricklin

Faye Swiger
Hiroe Takata
Wendy Taylor
Souleymane Traore
Justin Trudel

Denise Tucker
Geoff Varney
Melissa Walker
Chris Walsh
James Webster

Shelly William
Scott Williams
Harry Wiseman II
Chandra Wood
Kristy Yacenech

Faculty Focus...

"Dr. Rose's student evaluations are consistently excellent and her work has garnered accolades."
•*Nancy Parks*

Dr. Maria Rose coordinates FSC's Tutorial Services, supervising well over 1,500 appointments each semester. She serves as secretary of the WV State Literary Council and has performed extensive research concerning the success rates of GED recipients in WV higher education. Her evaluations from students are consistently good, especially from students with disabilities as well as from students in both her developmental and accelerated skills courses, her peer tutors and numerous tutees.

Dr. Maria C. Rose

Belmear - Glasscock

Michael Belmear
Phil Berryhill
Pieter Blood
Les Boggess

Lynn Boggess
Martin Bond
Sharon Bond
Linda Brown

Joan Burns
Orman Buswell
Brad Cameron
Linda Clayton

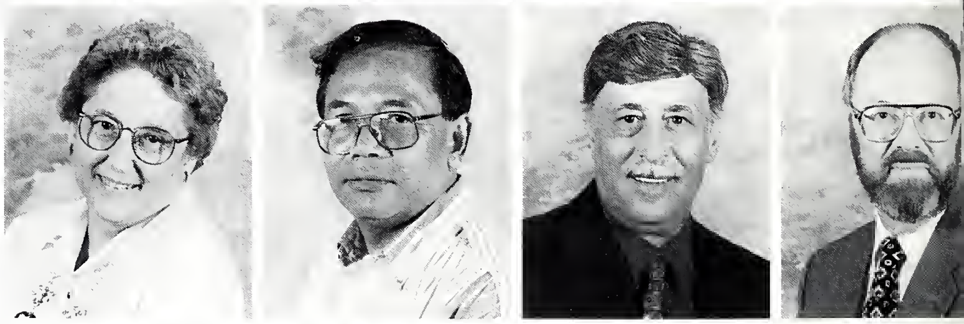
Allen Colebank
Paul Edwards
Charlie Endicott
Fred Fidura

Vickie Findley
Michael Fulda
Brad Gilbert
Sharon Glasscock

Goodwin - Overking

James Goodwin
Larry Haffner
Barbara Haught
Stephen Haynes

Sister Marie Horwath
Tulasi Joshi
William Julian
Ken Kelly



Mohamad Khali
Kristi Kiefer
Judith Kreutzer
Larry Lauffer

Leslie Lovett
Robert Mild, Jr.
Alice Moerk
Aletta Moffett

Connie Moore
Tony Morris
Fred Olson
Michael Overking

Administrator Focus...

"Michael is a very charismatic and caring person. He always puts the student's need first."
•*Colleague*

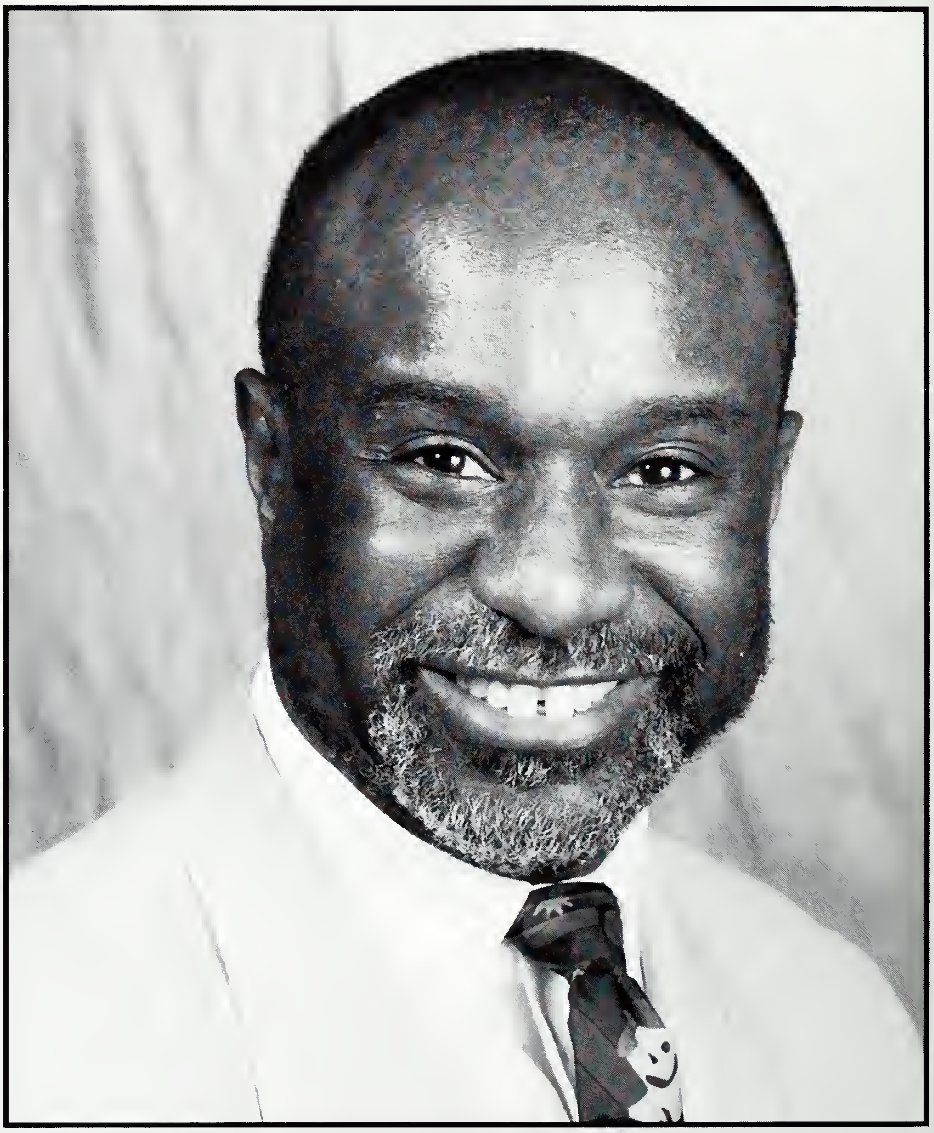
Michael Belmear, acting Vice President of Student Affairs, was in his 19th year at Fairmont State College. Belmear was moved into this position when Dr. Ken Kelly took a job as Dean of Students at Bristol Community College in Bristol, Connecticut. Belmear has many other responsibilities at FSC. He is advisor to the freshman counselors and the New Student Orientation they conduct each August. Belmear is also the advisor to Student Government. In his free time he enjoys playing golf and also takes time out to stay active with his two sons. Belmear plans to finish his book on how to deal with students in higher education.

Michael Belmear

Faculty Focus...

"Dr. Hinton is the most dedicated teacher on campus, because he cares about the students."
•Jeff Koski, business major

Dr. Gregory Hinton was named the 1997 WV Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching A professor of business, Hinton has taught at FSC since 1989. He is co-director of the FSC Service Learning Program, and is coordinator of the college's Race, Class and Gender program. Hinton is the first faculty member from a state college in WV to receive the Carnegie award. Hinton graduated from FSC in 1978 and earned a law degree in 1981 from WVU. He completed certification in 1995 from the Phi Theta Kappa Kellogg Leadership Development Program.



Dr. Greg Hinton

Pagan - Young

Richard Pagan
John Piscitelli
William Phillips
Deborah Prezioso

Patricia Ryan
David Schober
John Schooley
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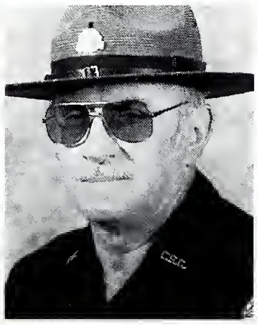
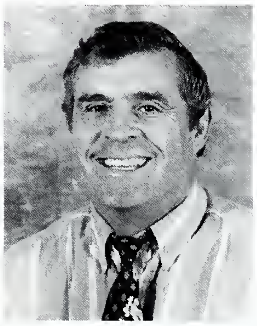
Thomas Stose
Allen Swanson
Carolyn Crislip-Tacy





Jean Ward
Sheila Warnick
Charles Williams
Jan Williams
James Young

RUSH
DELTA
ZETA

■ During Rush Week, every Greek organization advertises their name throughout campus so every student will know about their rush party. These signs are a familiar sight around the FSC campus each semester.

Extra Efforts

Extra Efforts

At FSC there were many organizations, associations and clubs that students had the opportunity to join. With the wide variety of people on campus there was a club for every style and interest. On campus each organization met either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 12:30-1:00 pm.

Each organization had a purpose and the members benefited from being a part of a group. Along with the benefits the individual obtained, organizations also helped the college and the community become stronger.

With all the stress of school, it helps to know that there is a way to get students' minds off homework and tests and onto something else that gives back to the college.

The large number of organizations on campus goes to show that FSC students are willing to support their college and the community by putting out **Extra Efforts**.

Organizations

Circle K

Row 1: Lisa Cook, secretary; Jamie Curr
vice-president; Lara Long, president.
Row 2: Sarah Rogers, Jeremi
Waybright.
Row 3: Kathy Walter.

Student Psychological Association

Row 1: Charlene Stump, Jaime McCloy, Shane Finster, Justin Minigh, Geoffrey Pittman.
Row 2: Jennifer Frame, Marilyn Porter, Nathel Baird, Ryan Kurczak, Sarah Shafer, Cathy Clagg, sponsor Dr. Ann Shaver.

Criminal Justice Club

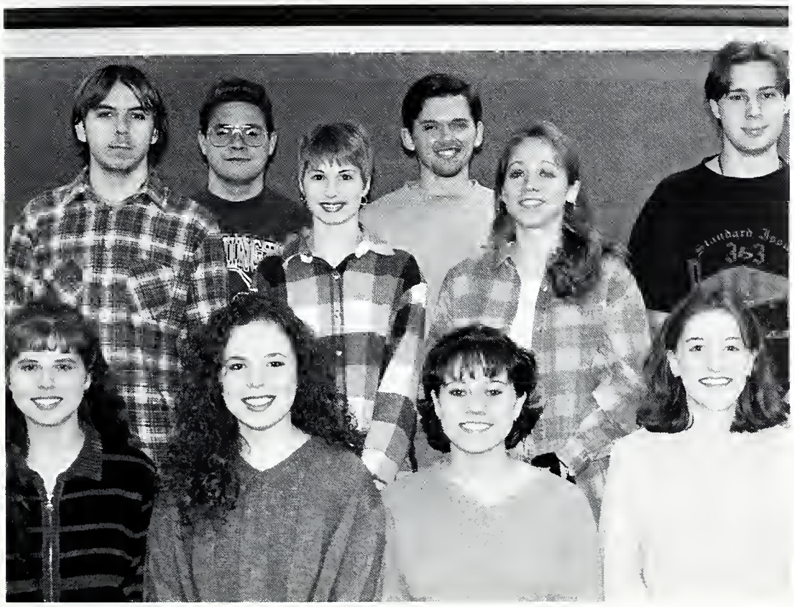
Row 1: Tina Feiereisen, secretary; Ca
Cervo, president; Holly Eddy, treasurer
Row 2: Sue Fisher, Michael Mercha
Tracy Keener, Lonnie Faircloth.
Row 3: Karen Jackson, Sheila Davi
Becky Moats, Samantha Smith, Shann
Cantrell.

SPA Officers

Row 1: Shane Finster, president; Jaime McCloy, vice-president; Charlene Stump, secretary/treasurer.
Row 2: Justin Minigh, public relations; Geoffrey Pittman, student government representative.

Masquers

Row 1: Courtney Robey, Mary Grumblatt, Faith Morgan, Whitney Eagle.
Row 2: Kylie Gilkeson, Jennifer Thomas, Jackie Antulov, Melissa Ryan.



Honors Association

Row 1: Sonya Hughes, secretary/treasurer; Jennifer Frame, co-vice-president; Ericka Kincaid, president; Cindy Argabrite, co-vice-president.
Row 2: Geoff Varney, Melanie Woods, Jaclyn Cooper, Clinton Gillespie.
Row 3: Tim Neal, Shane Finster.

Chi Alpha & BCM

Trips to the beach, sporting contests, picnics, Bible studies...These were all activities of the Baptist Campus Ministry and Chi Alpha this year. Even though BCM originated with the Baptist Church, members were from many different denominations. BCM was also instrumental in the formation of Chi Alpha on campus, and contributed many members to that organization.

BCM meetings were held every Tuesday night on campus. However, there were also many meetings at different members' houses. Meetings centered around discussions of topics dealing with the Bible and general fellowship among members.

Member Brad Thompson said, "You can be yourself at BCM and you're accepted as one of the family."

On the quad, Chi Alpha and their supporters hang out enjoying the sun after hearing a guest speaker.

Enjoying each other's company playing cards are BCM members Rick Provenzano, Becky Bush, Rachel Aneder and Larry Hissaim.

At the Hampshire County lock-in four BCM members show the fun that they are having.

A guest speaker for the Chi Alpha organization stands before a large croud on the quad one sunny afternoon.

INTRAMURAL
CHAMPION
GOLF

BCM members take time out from relaxing with friends to pose for the camera.

At a BCM cookout these members enjoy the friends, fellowship and the good times.

Four girls from BCM are just hanging out before going out to have a night of fun with friends.

Chapter advisor Beth Slusser speaks to Society for Collegiate Journalists inductees Tracy Toler and Dustin Benge during the induction ceremony for the reactivated FSC chapter of SCJ. Other inductees were Christina Short, Misty Poe and Jackie Iquinto.

Whetstone advisor Mary Stewart makes a point to Language & Literature chairman Dr. Martin Bond following the Society for Collegiate Journalists induction at the Student Publications Spring Banquet.

Student Publications advisor Beth Slusser, *Whetstone* advisor Mary Stewart and Herff Jones yearbook specialist Nan Cayton discuss FSC student publications at the annual banquet in early May.

Columns editor Dustin Benge, *Mound* editor Christina Short and *Columns* managing editor Misty Poe gather for a photo at the Student Publications Spring Banquet, held at Muriale's Restaurant.

Whetstone editors presented certificates to staff members at the spring banquet.

Mound editor Christina Short talks with *Times West Virginian* representative Jim Short, one of several special guests at the Student Publications Spring Banquet and Society for Collegiate Journalists induction.

Collegiate Journalism

The Society for Collegiate Journalists is the nation's oldest college communications honorary. It was founded at Syracuse University, New York, in 1909. There are currently over one hundred chapters of SCJ at colleges across the nation.

The Fairmont State College chapter of SCJ was chartered in 1949, placing it among the first fifteen chapters in the country. Although the FSC chapter had been inactive on campus for nearly a decade, it was reactivated with the induction of eleven members at the May 2 Student Publications Spring Banquet. Chapter advisor Beth Slusser inducted the following students: Tracy Toler, Dustin Benge, Christina Short, Misty Poe, Courtney Robey, Jenna Kirchartz, Larry Shumate, Chuck Fry, Michelle Morris, Jackie Iquinto and Angela Hurley.

Each new member was presented with a membership pin, a certificate from the national office and a certificate from the local FSC chapter.

Members of SCJ are selected on the basis of their service to collegiate student publications and their advancement of media interests on campus. Chapter activities include service projects, fundraising, assisting the campus publications and organizing induction ceremonies.

The new members of the FSC chapter of the Society for Collegiate Journalists include: Michelle Morris, Angela Hurley, Jackie Iquinto, Courtney Robey, Tracy Toler, Christina Short, Dustin Benge, Jenna Kirchartz and Misty Poe.

Marching Band

The Falcon marching band had an active fall semester: they performed for five home football games, were invited to perform for the groundbreaking ceremonies of the new FSC Clarksburg Center and gave exhibition performances at two area marching festivals.

With just under fifty members this year, the band continued to be one of FSC's best-kept secrets, both on campus and around the state. Although the FSC band is one of only six or seven marching bands at colleges across the state, many people continue to be surprised to discover that FSC has a band.

In the fall semester, the band also participated in the "Trick-or-Treat So Someone Else Can Eat" community service project, done annually by Kappa Kappa Psi National Band Honorary Fraternity.

In addition to the marching band, the college also in home to the FSC symphonic concert band, which begins in November each year, after the football season activities end. The symphonic concert band performs an annual Winter Concert near the end of the first semester and at least two concerts each spring. This year the band travelled around the region on their semi-annual Spring Tour, performing six concerts in four days in Harrison County, Garrett County, MD, Preston County, Tyler County, Kings Island Park in Cincinnati, OH and ending with a home concert at FSC.

One FSC auxillary member stand proudly before the flag as the band plays the National Anthum.

To start the festivities at the Homecoming pep rally, a melophone player and the rest of the band play the FSC fight song.

During the Homecoming game the band sweats in the hot sun to perform their pregame show for the large crowd.

The FSC drum major holds her hand high so the entire band can see her through the sun, while performing at half time of the Homecoming game.

During the pep rally at Rosier Field, one trumpet player stands with the light sparkling off his instrument, showing his support for the football team.

As well as supporting FSC with all its hard work, the band also takes the time to collect canned food products for the less fortunate.

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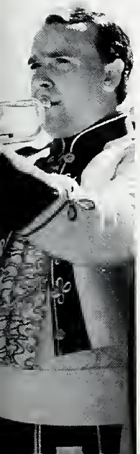


Pauline Williams, a former FSC student, enjoys the food that was provided at the FSC celebration of Kwanzaa, a celebration created to help strengthen the bond between African-Americans.

Entertaining local African-American children, Shirley Merchant helps them learn about their culture.

April Smith and other Kwanzaa participants explain the significance of this celebration to an observer.

Black Student Union members Patrick Twyan and Carolyn Mitchell enjoy each other's company.

Wearing historical clothing, a BSU member shows others the seven basic symbols of Kwanzaa at the second annual FSC Kwanzaa Celebration.

Black Student Union

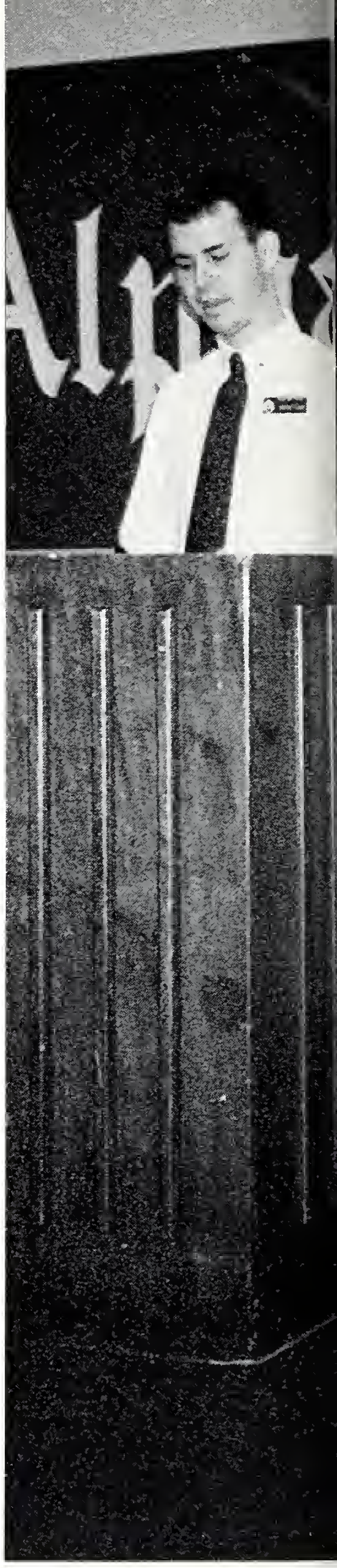
The Black Student Union was very involved with not only the FSC campus, but with their community as well. Reverend Richard Bowyer served as BSU advisor and Hadiza Sule was president of the organization.

The BSU participated in many multicultural sessions as well as Homecoming Week activities. Along with another international student organization, BSU constructed a float for the Homecoming parade. Sule was the BSU candidate for Homecoming queen.

BSU was organized in the early 1970s with hopes to address the concerns of black students as well as other minorities on campus. BSU was opened to any culture, including European-Americans. BSU was also established so that the FSC community might learn more about African-American concerns, culture and experiences.

Tricia Arbogast stands before a crowd at the Kwanzaa celebration, giving the background and explaining the importance of the ceremony.

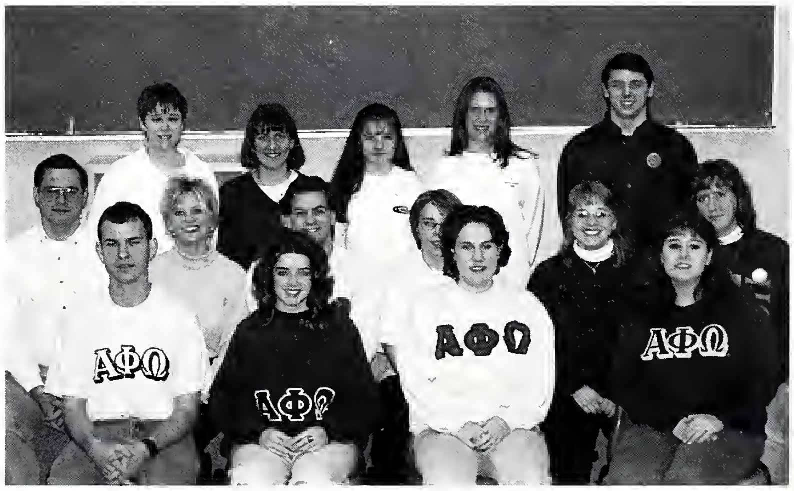
During Rush, President Brian Fleak speaks about the importance and opportunities of pledging.



Ryan Collins and Brandi Hahn show their excitement over the 1998 Spring Rush in the Turley Center.

Alpha Phi Om

During Spring Rush 1998, Tara Holstein talks about the fraternity as her supporters sit around her.



Row 1: Barbara Knotts, Beth Huffman, Tara Holstein and Brian Fleak.
Row 2: Karen Knotts, Kristi Hill, Solveig Sahlin, Jeffery Zinn, Brandi Hahn-Alt and Tim Neal.
Row 3: Rudy Hoffert, Aleisha Booce, Stephanie Lioi, Christina Smerdell and Anna Carper.

At the 1998 Pledge Pinning, Tara Holstein and Brian Fleak get ready to join the brothers and sisters of the fraternity.

Alpha Phi Omega

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Brain Fleak takes a break from preparations for the official pinning ceremony.

EXIT
Phi Omega

During Alpha Phi Omega's initiation, several members prepare their speaking parts.

Alpha Sigma Tau

Natasha, AST sister, smiles with excitement before the start of the 1997 Homecoming Parade.

During Big Sister Night, these big and little sisters form their family trees in an AST tradition.

Molly Linthicum, Christy Lambert and Tricia Sargent are hanging out and expressing their sisterhood.

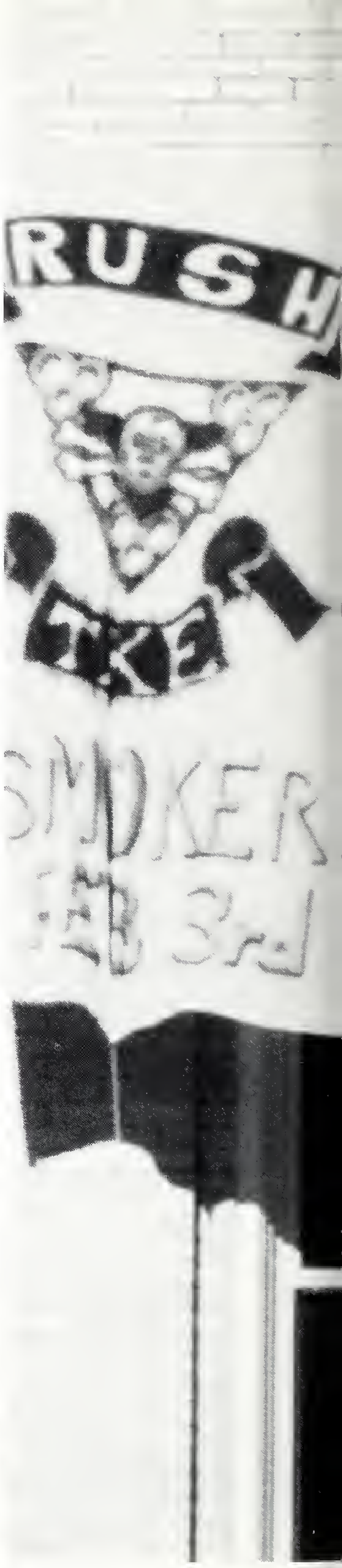
AST's celebrate Homecoming with alumni, showing comraderie and what it is to actually be a part of something bigger than just a sorority.

The AST's gather together before the Homecoming parade, all very proud of themselves for the hard work they put into Homecoming.

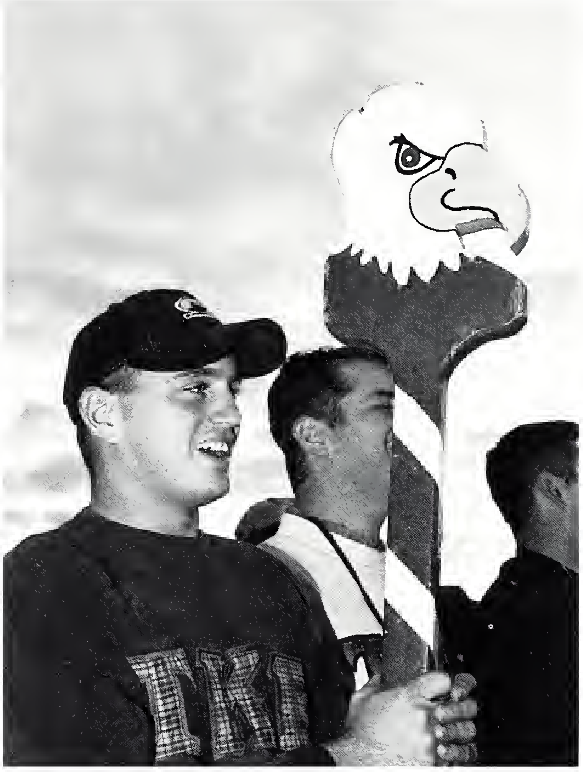
Amy Parsons and Melissa Higgins proudly show off the FSC spirit stick and the importance of school spirit.

The Iota pledge class all together learn about their soon-to-be sorority and all of their new sisters.

Waving in the wind, a TKE rush advertisement tells the entire campus when and where a student can sign up to be a TKE member.



One Tau Kappa Epsilon brother stands holding the FSC spirit stick at the 1997 pep rally during Homecoming Week.



Showing off their way of being "sophisticated" these TKE brother gather at the Homecoming Dance.

Talking to Dr. Janet about the TKE's Terrific Kickin' Elixir, one Greek brother explains how they came up with the name for the non-alcoholic drink during the Mix Off at FSC.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

After hanging out with a Tau Kappa Epsilon brother, Jason McGraw walks backto his car after the Homecoming fireworks.

In the Feaster Center parking lot, TKE brother JP Miller shows off his letters with fellow Greek members at the Homecoming pep rally.

Delta Zeta

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1997 and 1998 White Rose Sweethearts celebrate during the Sigma Tau Gamma White Rose Formal.

Mary Francis Veltri, 1997 pledge mom, holds close the class and all the memories that they have made together as sisters.

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EDGE
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Heather
ΔZ
Kelli
Jamie
AGN

Getting ready for fall rush, these DZ sisters take a moment to rest from all of the festivities in the Colebank gym.

Wearing their sorority letters, these DZ members show their pride and sisterhood.

During the 1997 Homecoming dance the entire Delta Zeta sorority poses for a group shot.

At one of many of their Sunday meetings, several Delta Zetas show how they feel about their sisterhood with their smiles.

Alicia Ashley shows her excitment at just being crowned 1997 Homecoming Queen with her escort Keith Thompson.

Sigma Pi

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Clutter and Onion hanging out at the house showing that time spent with brothers is time well spent.

Three Sig Pi fraternity brothers relax by drinking a few beers to take their minds off schoolwork.

Sigma Pi members Scott Straight and Ben Shew celebrate at the fraternity's spring formal.

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The Sigma Pi house shows off advertisements for the upcoming events that the brothers have planned for the 27th annual basketball tournament.

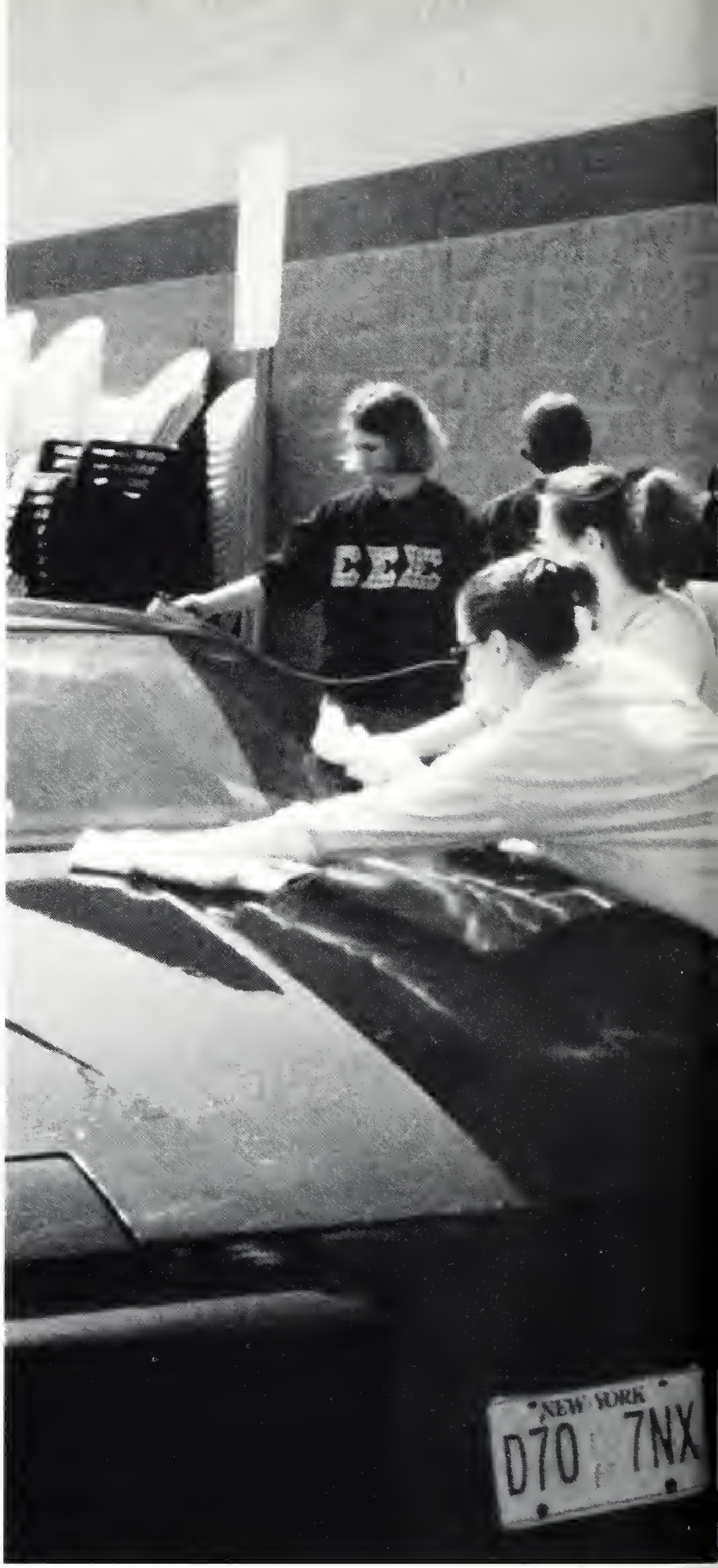
Sigma Pi brothers show off their letters in front of their house on Locust Ave.

Sig Pi brothers Joel Pauly, Guy Osborne, Jarred Farrow, Ben Shew and Scott Straight hang out and have a good time before their Spring Formal.

Senior brothers Kevin Edwards and Barrow Koslosky hang out together at only one of the many get-togethers at the house.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Sigma sorority shows support for the community by visiting a nursing home in Fairmont to spend time with residents.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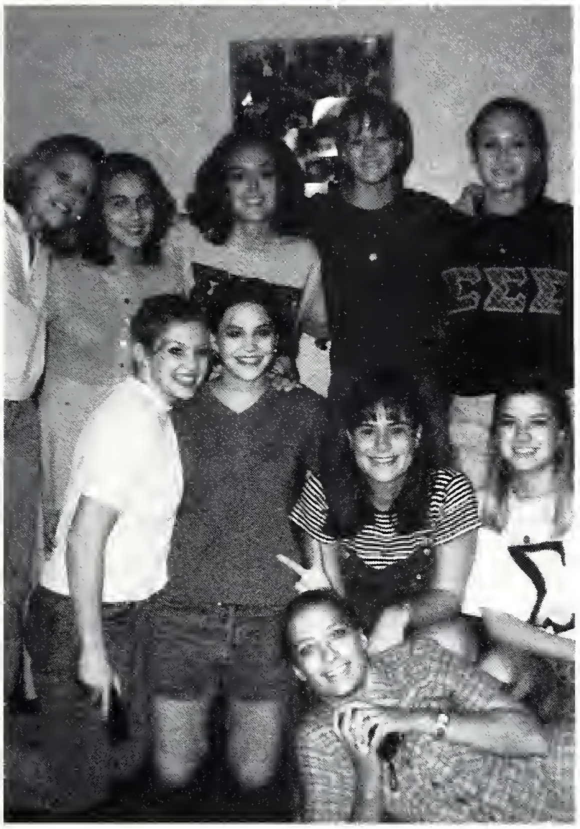
Three Sigmas wash cars to raise money for local student Jeff Courtney to attend a wrestling match in Florida.

Sigma's and the Sign Language Club teamed up for a fundraiser to help a deaf child go to a wrestling match.



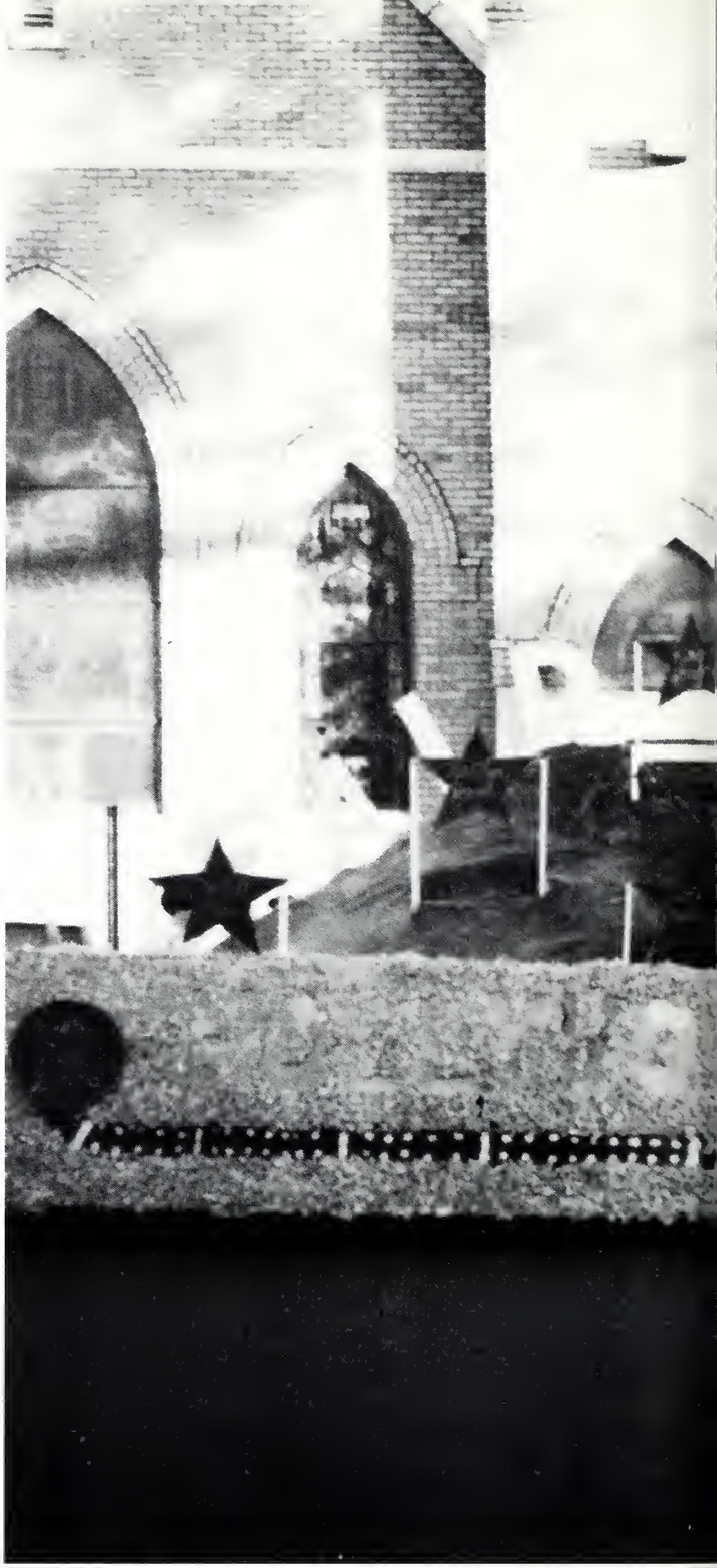
Sigma members wear their letters on their clothing to show their pride in the organization and in their sisterhood.

At the 1997 Tri Sigma formal the sisters show off their dresses and the fun that they have spending time together.

Sigma sisters show their spirit in the holiday and in their sisterhood at the 1997 Christmas tree lighting on campus.

Sigma Sigma Sigma sisters show off their letters.

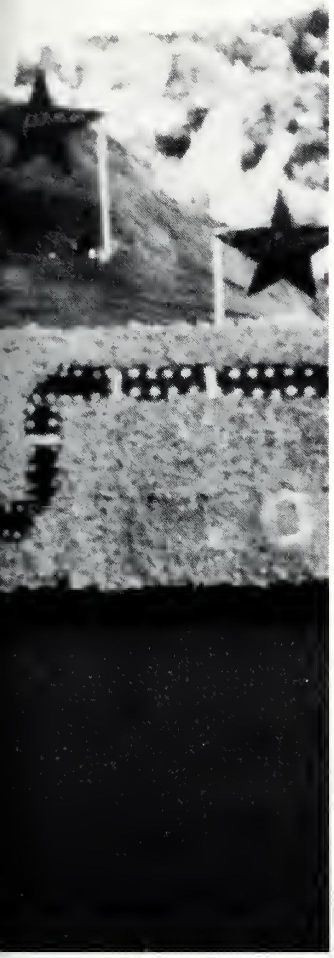
Sigma Tau Gamma



A Sig Tau brother escorts Alicia Ashley, DZ sister, across the football field during the 1997 Homecoming game in October.

With the "stars" making their appearance in Fairmont, the Sig Tau and DZ float won first place in the parade during the 1997 Homecoming Week.

The Sig Tau and DZ Homecoming float sits on a side street in Fairmont awaiting its appearance in the Homecoming parade.



As a comunity service project, these Sig Tau brothers took the time to plant trees in Fairmont to support the community.

After being named the 1997 White Rose, Alicia Ashley stands with enthusiasm beside the Sig Tau fraternity brothers.

A group of Sigma Tau Gamma brothers show off their Greek letters and the pride they have in their fraternity.

As a Sig Tau supporter prepares for a event, his smile shows the excitement that the brothers have for the organization.

American Chemical Society

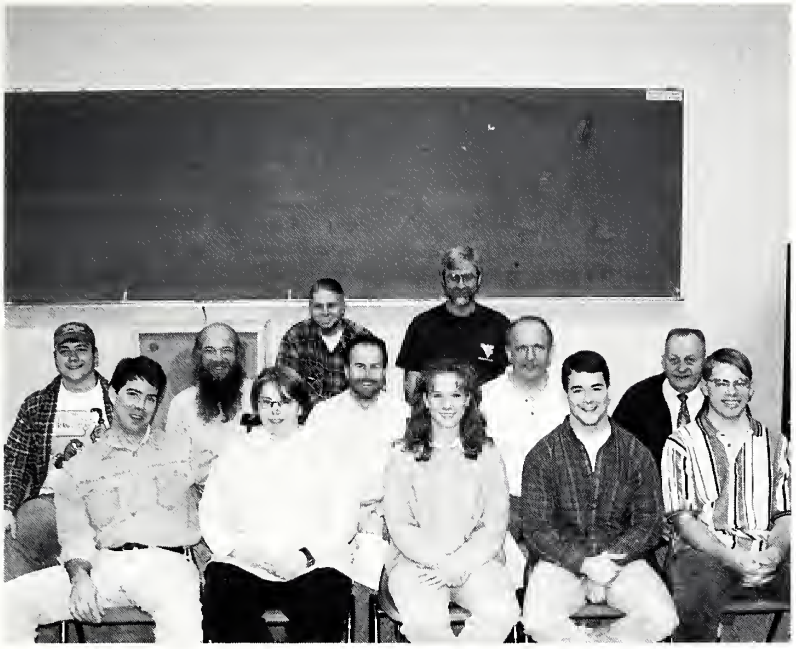
Row 1: Seth Tomblyn, treasurer; Da
Williams, co-president; Cindy Argabr
co-president; Robert Kristovich, secreta
Row 2: Chris Gross, Gary Glasspell, J
Pumphrey, Phaedra Higgs.

Amer. Institute of Architectural Students

Row 1: Greg Morris, seargent-at-arms; Arlis Brown; Suzanne Bates, secretary-treasurer.
Row 2: George Smyth, advisor; Philip Freeman, advisor; Jason Miller; Adam Abraham; Donnie Yost; Kevin Edwards, president; Barrow Koslosky, vice-president.

TECA

Row 1: Richard Gerken, Suzanne Bat
Mark Wolf, Brett Bernard.
Row 2: Gary Bolyard, advisor; Trac
Swiger, secretary; Matt Pitek, treasur
William James, president; Richa
Cramer; David Swiger, vice-president.



American Society of Civil Engineers

Row 1: Joseph Reger, Solveig Sahlin, Ricki Schlicker, Brandon Shock, Kenneth Smith.
Row 2: Sam Proctor, Chip Goff, Anthony Brizendine, Gary Zickefoose, John Pheasant, advisor.
Row 3: Mark Talkington, Larry Sims.

United Nations Student Organization

Row 1: Santiago Londono, treasurer; Geneva Hines, advisor; Pat Mascaro; Hadiza Sule, public relations; James Poindexter III, vice-president; Vitaly Daminov, president.
Row 2: Eythor Vidisson, Silvia Luna, Adelina Saldivia, Gloria Oxendale, Souleymane Traore, Dameon Sherman.
Row 3: Min Yoo, Won-il Kim, Marcy Jo Folio, Juan Diego Montejo, Yuki Watanabe, Jin-Kyo Hong, Rustem Karakaya, Miwa Edwards, Takashi Mayahara.

Nontraditional Students Society

Row 1: Barb Mayle, secretary; Chuck Welch, president; Stephan Bokey, vice-president.
Row 2: Robin Johnson, Sonya Carder, Cathy Hults, Jennifer Sigley, Janel Bolam.
Row 3: Sue Englehart, Kathy Crescenzi, James Murphy, Cynthia Dotson, Dottie Koert, Teresa Rundle.

Theatre Honorary

Row 1: Annie Holbert, William Wool
Virgil Rogers, Mary Francis Grumbl
Claire Bliss, Erica Foster, Jack Wills.
Row 2: Anne Morgan, Pat Phillips, Mar
Satterfield, Stephen Brooks, Elizab
Davission, Kathy Brooks, Suzan
Snyder, Jo Ann Lough, John Piscitelli.
Row 3: Jack Hussey, Kris Waggon
Christian Cox, Mary Margaret Fletch
Mark Coffindaffer, Jerry Vilar, Mich
Bonyak, Rev. Donald Squires, Jo
Teahan.

Nursing Students (2nd)

Row 1: Heather Pasquarelli, Jessep Opas, Regina Nelson, Sheri Myers, Melissa Morgan, Rachel Morgan.
Row 2: Nicole Skinner, Vicki Schmidt, Melissa Rowan, Christina Roberts, Tonya Randolph, Kristen Pollock.
Row 3: Tracy VanMeter, Phil VanGilder, Jamie Tyler, Cathy Swiger, Heather Spaulding, Judy Smith.
Row 4: Mandi Wood, Melanie White, Bridget West, Suella Watts, Debra Walker, Karen Vernon.
Row 5: Amy Sigley, Elizabeth Moran, Amber Weaver.

Nursing Students (2nd)

Row 1: Melissa Chipps, Amy Chenowe
Shelly Boyce, Jessica Barker, Wendy Arn
Jenifer Alt.
Row 2: Lisa Mace, Shannon Fleeman, Kris
Gandee, Angela Ebert, Nicole Cook.
Row 3: Carolyn Gillespie, Tina Linds
Jackie Massie, Sheryl Marco, Russ
Mathews, Elisha McKnown, Lori Mayfiel
Row 4: Sonja Conner, Matt McNeal, Peg
Adams, Heather Curry.
Row 5: Jessica Kelly, Susie Knisley, Sus
Donnahoe, Denise Feeley.
Row 5: Lea Ann Talkington, Kay Hos
Michele Smith, Donna Kessel.

American Chemical Engineers

Row 1: Ryan Morre, Rick Russell, John Nicholson, James Idlennan, Brent Proudfoot, Rocky Mazza, Darren Kemp.
Row 2: Ryan Corbin, Jeremiah Clegg, Yong Koo, John Herron, Keely George, Doug Britvec, Rich Burgoyne, Kim Murphy, advisor.
Row 3: JD Parks, advisor, Wayne Conaway, Eric Burkel, Allen Snyder, Matt Looker, Marc Fetty, David Choinniere, Jason Burns.

MCSA

Row 1: Chervon Dokes, Michael Merchant, Dr. Eunice Green-Thompson.
Row 2: Patrick Twyman, Carolyn Mitchell, April Thompson, Tricia Arbogast, Robert Jones.

On one cold afternoon technology students set off their newly made rocket in hopes that their knowledge, put to use, really works.

Class Acts

Class Acts

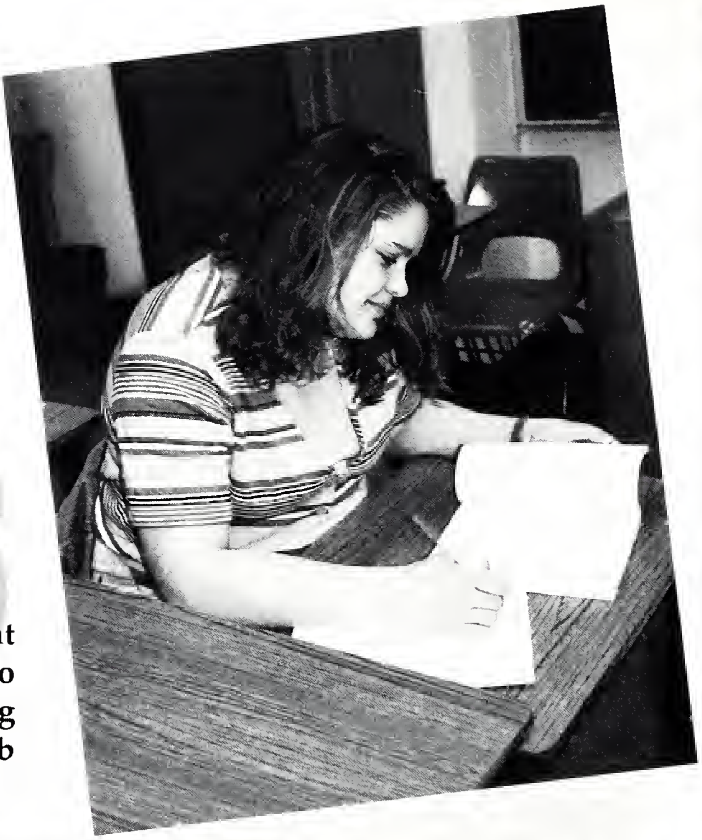
The road of life is forked with decisions. Learning and the relentless pursuit of knowledge can be every student's pathway to an enriched and satisfying life.

After students complete the essential basics of the learning process through completion of general study courses, they can use these newfound mental tools to expand their minds through more specialized curricula and upper-level courses in their declared majors.

By basing their next step up the higher education ladder on categories such as talents, interests and needs, aspiring students can choose from many different academic divisions at Fairmont State College. Each division provides a superior learning experience for students, as well as offering many extracurricular opportunities such as special topics courses and internships that prepare students for that next fork in the road, employment.

When students choose an academic road on which to embark and traverse it successfully from declaring a major to graduation, those students can truly be referred to as **Class Acts**.

Academics



PRESS

FSC journalism student Michele Quickle works to finish her reporting homework in the lab before the start of class.

PRESS

The Day on Campus program brought 5th graders to the journalism lab, where Christina Short gave them a demonstration of the Pagemaker computer program.

PRESS

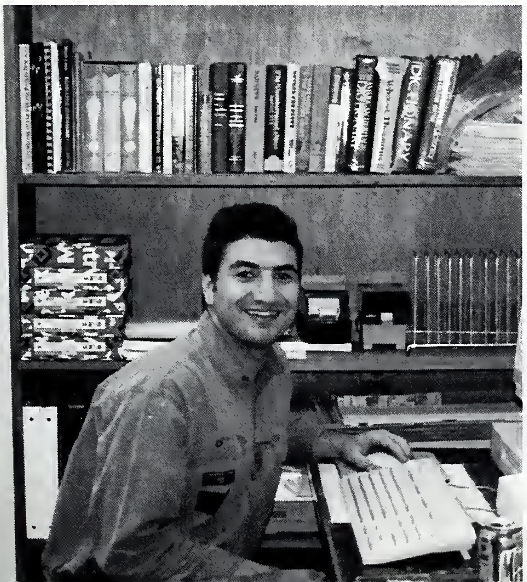
Columns staff member Chuck Fry works hard on a journalism computer putting together part of the newspaper one Thursday afternoon.

Stephanie Roda, with a minor in journalism, takes a break from her Reporting 240 class to look over yearbooks from the past three years.

Neal LoPrinzi, a journalism student, works on his Publications Process final project at the end of the fall semester in the lab.

The Journalism Department

IN TODAY'S SOCIETY, one cannot turn his or her head without being bombarded with news and the media. Journalism as a form of study was once limited to vocational training for newspaper reporters. Now, however, journalism as a minor includes many varieties of communication. The journalism student learns of professional ethics and responsibilities in the vast study of mass communication and study. Students in the program do more than just learn to write and edit news stories; they study applicable current issues, media trends and historical and cultural developments in world civilization. Journalism as a minor or as part of the Regents' degree are available to FSC students. Journalism at Fairmont State College is an educational experience for those striving toward a media-related career.



Jenna Kirchartz and Misty Poe goof around in the lab while working late one Thursday night putting the final touches on the *Columns.*

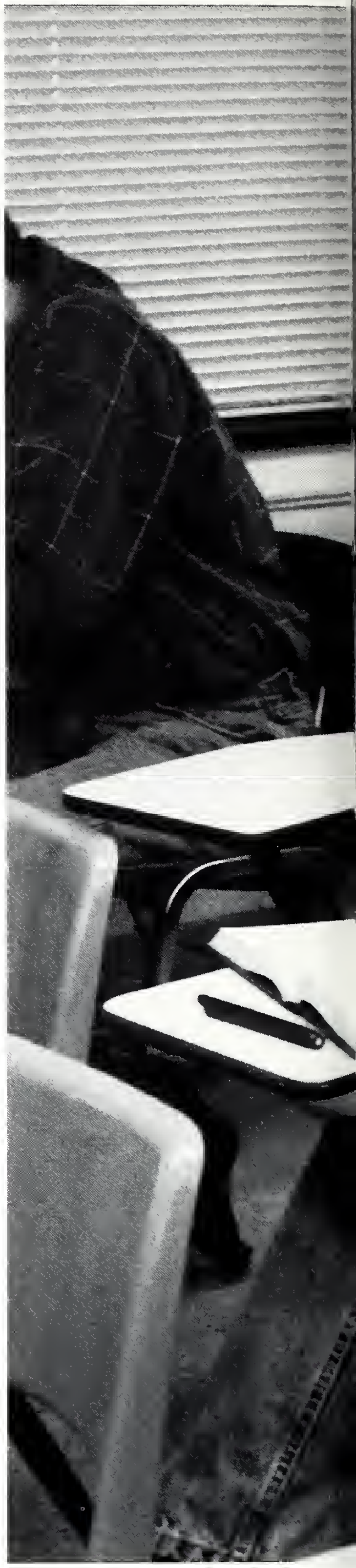
Working in the lab, Student Publication advisor Beth Slusser and *Columns* editor Dustin Benge take a break from proofreading the paper.

MONEY

Accounting senior Heather Compton reads from her textbook in one of her many business classes.

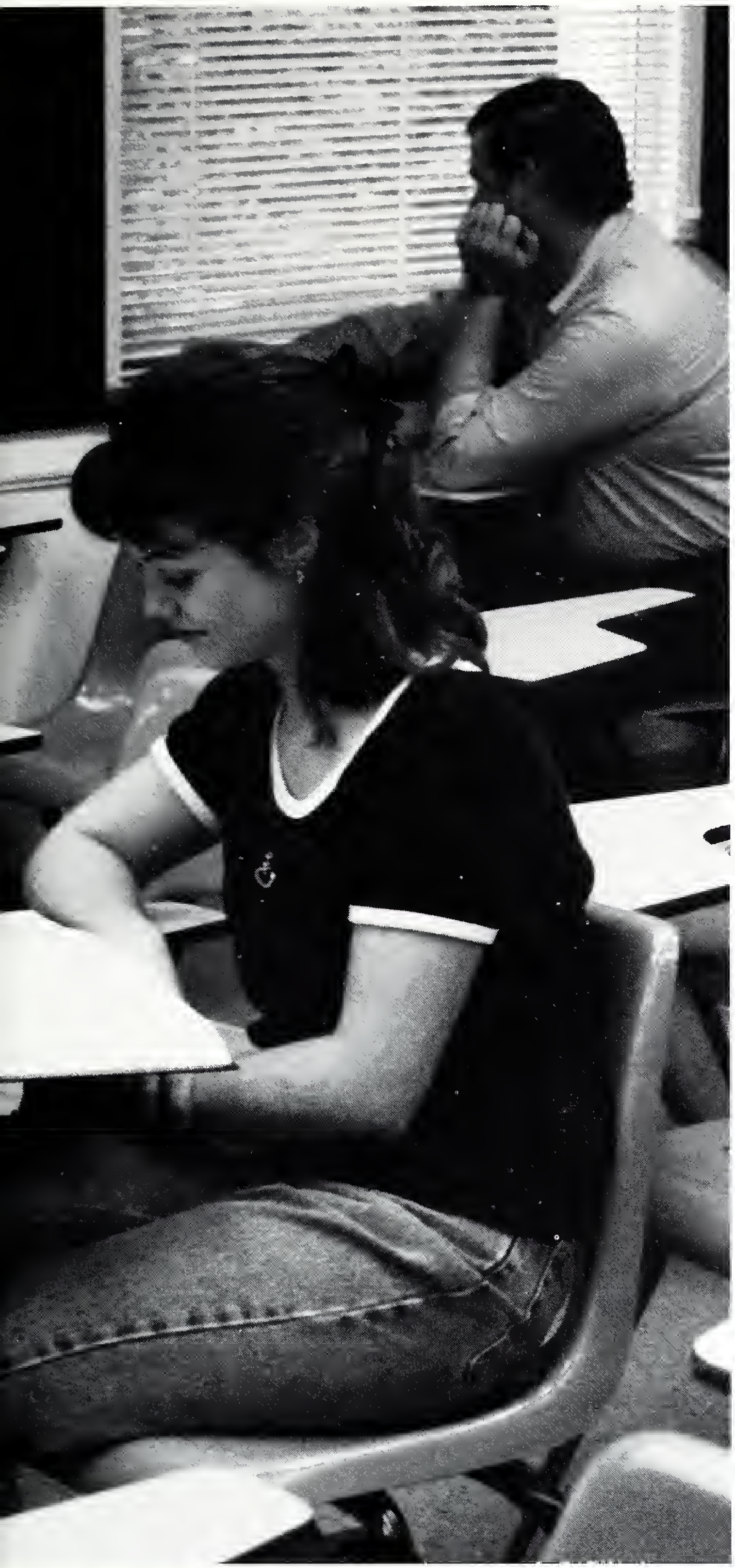
MONEY

One business student listens as her professors talk and she reads along in her notes.



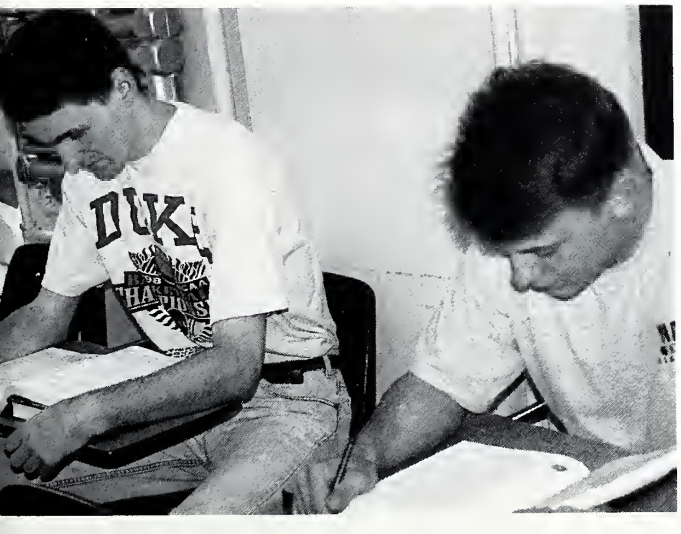
Trying to pay attention to her instructor, one business student shows some interest with a smile on her face.

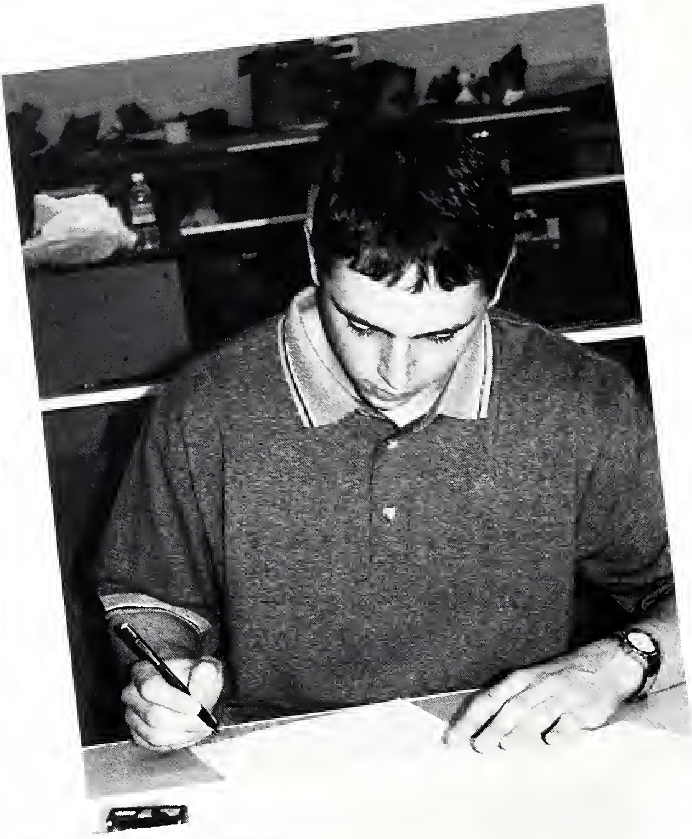
Two students reac carefully to cram for a quiz at the start of their class in Jaynes Hall.



The Business Department

IF YOU ENJOY the hustle and bustle of administration and business-related work, then the business major is right up your proverbial alley. Courses offered under the business and economics heading include: accounting, business, business education, computer science, economics, finance, office administration, management and marketing. In order to fulfill the requirements of graduation, majors in business administration decide between two academic areas. Students can either elect a minor field of study, or they can choose to double major. Majors learn not only administrative and organizational skills, but many other specialized "tricks of the trade" that transfer into real-world business situations. Gregory T. Hinton of the Division of Business and Economics was the 1997 recipient of the William A. Boram Award for Teaching Excellence for the second year. If you have an assertive, go-get'em personality, then the business department is waiting for you.





MODERN

In a layout and design class in Wallman Hall, one graphic tech student concentrates on his layout on the drawing table.

MODERN

Mark Wolf and Matt Pitek work hard in one of the technology labs, making a model of a building in a spring semester class.

MODERN

Technology major Richard Gerken works diligently to add up scores after judging an architecture competition at the TSA in Ripley, WV.

Bill Jones and "Smoke" Conaway work with exact scale measurements to get their replica of a house just right and to scale.

Comparin notes and ideas, two graphic students show the importance of learning how workin in a design team can hel with ideas.

The Technology Department

AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD leads to ever-changing technology, and the technology program at FSC appeals to students who embrace the idea of change. Technology is a growth industry in a world that is information-dependent.

One division of the tech program, graphics, is not a dirty-hands, labor-intense industry; today it is a knowledge-driven, computer-oriented, multi-faceted profession. The layout, photos and complete makeup of this yearbook are the realm of the graphic technology professional. Students interested in user-friendly computers, multimedia, design or animation should look into the graphics technology major. The graphic program coordinator, Larry Lauffer, incorporates computer demonstrations and multimedia presentations into his many classes as well as on the Graphic Intranet.

Other parts of the technology department include architecture, machinery, engineering, safety and many other things offered both on and off of the FSC campus. The Aerospace Center in Bridgeport, WV is just another part of the large technology programs. These specialties involve hands-on work and using the latest technology to reach a final goal. But with a technology major, FSC students receive the latest knowledge in the most high-tech and up-to-date technology.

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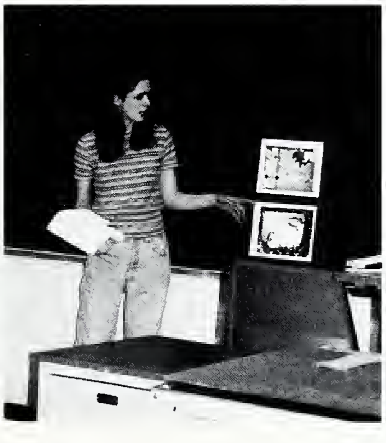

One graphic student gives an in-class presentation on her designs that will later be critiqued by her tech classmates.

PETS

Vet tech is not only about taking care of animals, but also about learning to keep the animals healthy and sometimes, saving an animal's life.

PETS

The dalmatian has been given anesthesia for its neutering operation. Although the procedure may look uncomfortable, vet tech students learn how to protect the animals from unnecessary pain.

PETS

Checking a dalmatian's heartbeat, the student assistant gets close to the dog to keep it comfortable and avoid getting the dog excited or scared. If the dog panics, the procedure is much more difficult for all involved.

In preparation for surgery these assistants give the dog a shot to calm him down before the procedure.

After performing the surgery, one vet tech assistant and the vet prepare to close the incision up with perfect ease.

Veterinary Technology

ONE OF THE NEWEST majors on the FSC campus is the field of veterinary technology, or "vet tech". This program is designed for those students who want to eventually become veterinarians or veterinary assistants, although it may also appeal to those students who simply love having and taking care of a variety of animals.

There are currently 14 courses offered in the vet tech program, including three internships and several hands-on procedural classes. Vet tech students study areas as diverse as breeds and breeding, animal parasitology, farm animal management, anatomy, physiology, veterinary law and ethics. Students not only serve internships with local veterinarians, but practice clinical laboratory procedures on campus as well.

Vet tech students prepare this dog for surgery by shaving the hair from the area where the surgery will be performed.

Before giving this rabbit a clean bill of health these assistants check its ears to make sure that there is no infection.

HEALTH

Jim Jaristy and Sally Southerland, two nursing graduates, perform at the spring nursing graduation ceremony.

HEALTH

Two nursing sisters, Angela Wood and Melissa Wood, share their feelings after the Pinning Ceremony in the Feaster Center.

HEALTH

After their 1998 graduation ceremony, these nursing students show their feelings with great big smiles on their faces.

One FSC nursing student practices the skills that she has learned in her classes on one of her many instructors.

After receiving their flower and before receiving their officia nursing pin these four student excitedly await the ceremony.

The Nursing Department

GONE ARE THE DAYS when nursing was a profession only for a singular sex. These days both males and females are needed to assist doctors in emergency rooms, operating rooms and doctors' offices. Fairmont State College has offered a two-year associate degree in nursing since 1974, and, in 1989, it was opened to a B.A. degree. Nursing students need to complete what are referred to as clinicals, whether they decide on a two-year or four-year program. Clinicals are intended to teach students in nursing a variety of skills in different settings. A two-year degree requires 100 hours of clinicals, while a four-year degree requires an additional 380 hours. By practicing at nursing homes, medical health facilities, rehabilitation centers, clinics, offices and hospitals, nursing majors acquire the experience that today's hospitals need.

Clowning around before graduation, these male nursing students show their excitement about graduating.

Before the Bachelor of Science graduates in nursing Pinning Ceremony, these graduates line up to walk in.

TEACH

At the bottom of campus in the One-Room School house, elementary students, brought in by the FSC Education Department, study the history of education.

TEACH

Dressed in the period clothing of the old-fashioned schoolteacher, this instructor gives a historical lesson.

TEACH

FSC education students gathe in the Fireside Room of the Turley Center for a conference with local educators.

Education students discuss student teaching projects at their Education Conference in the spring semester.

An FSC student majoring in education explains her 5th grade teaching methods to a participant i the Educatio Conference.

The Education Department

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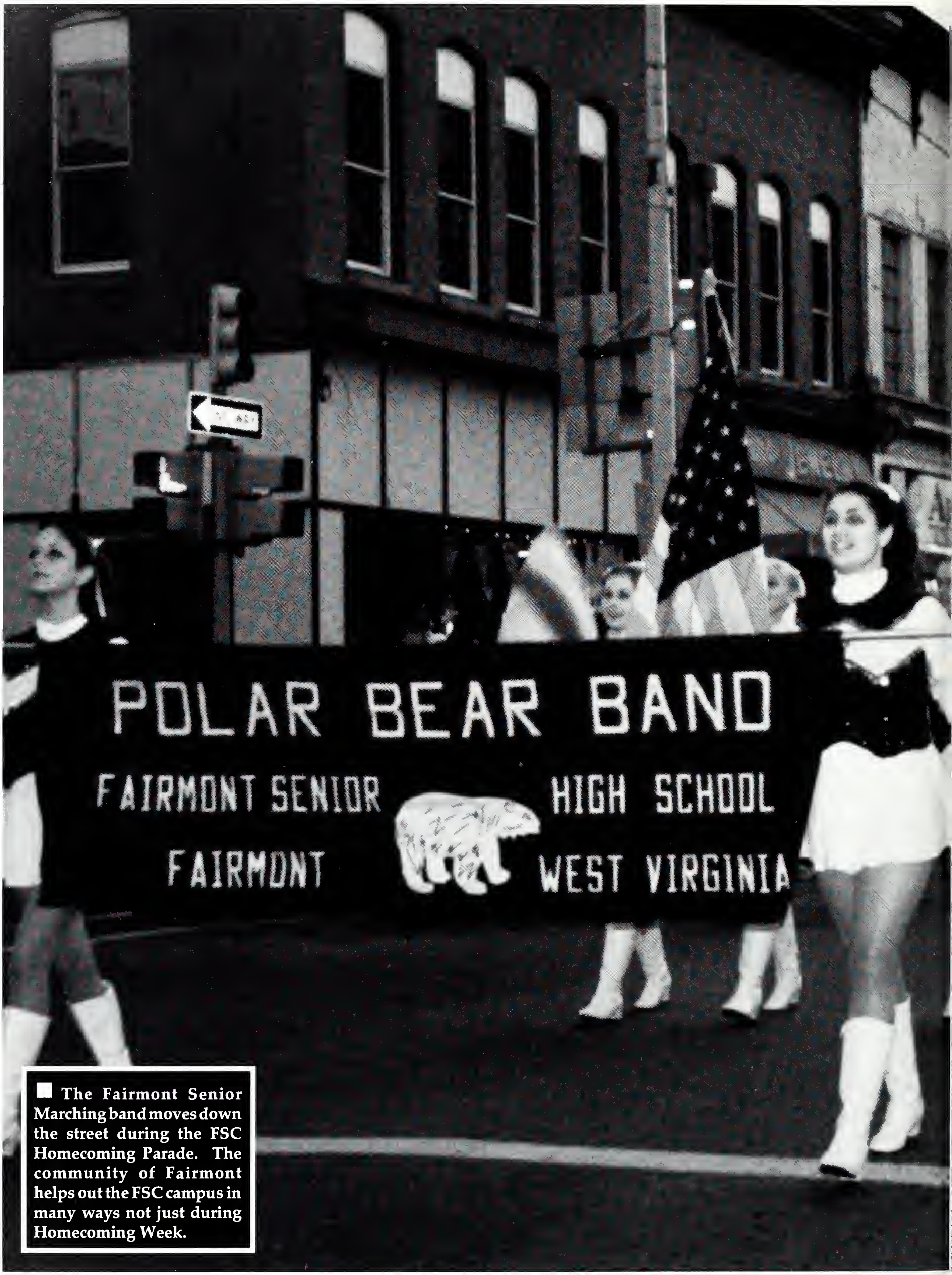
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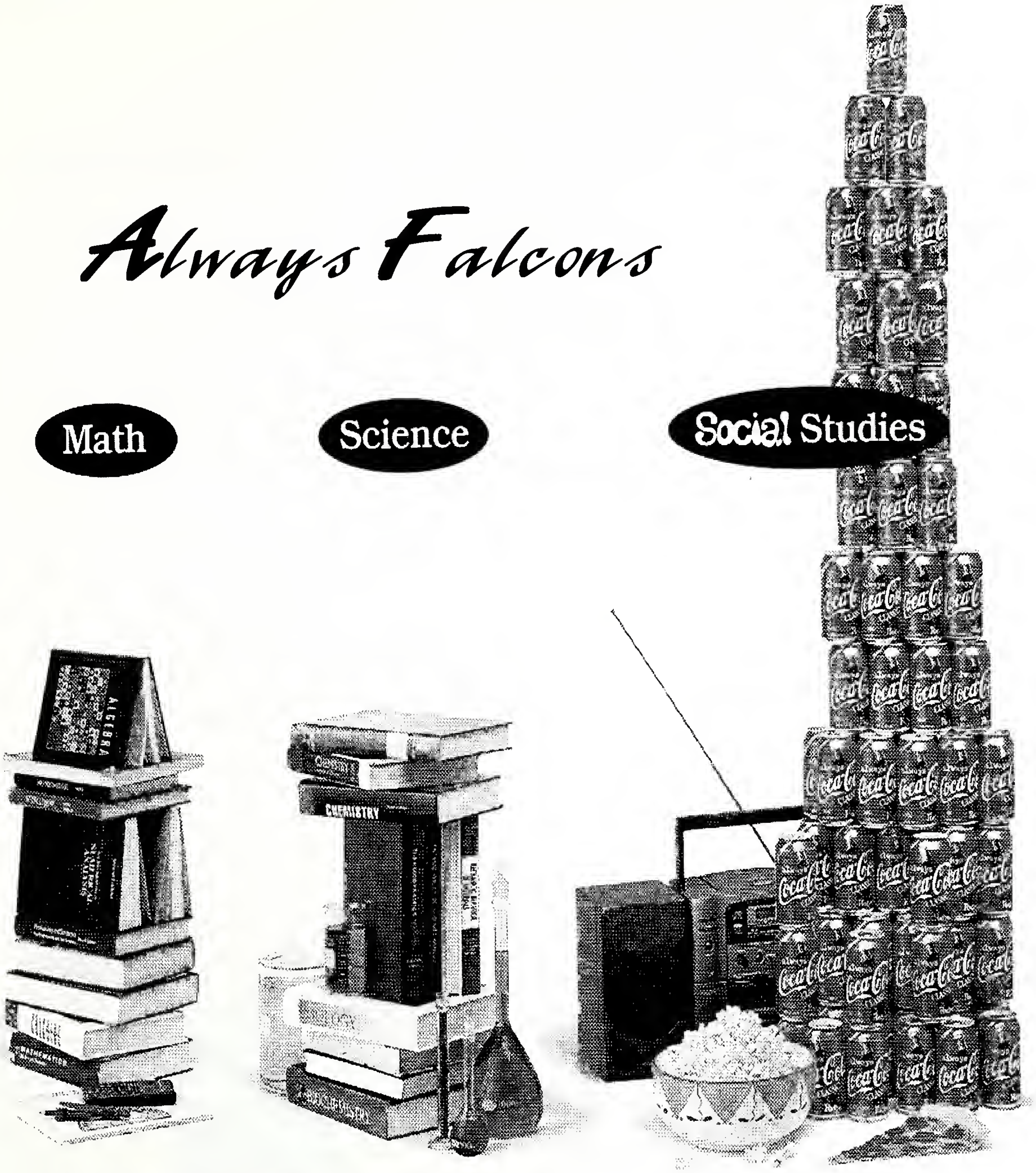
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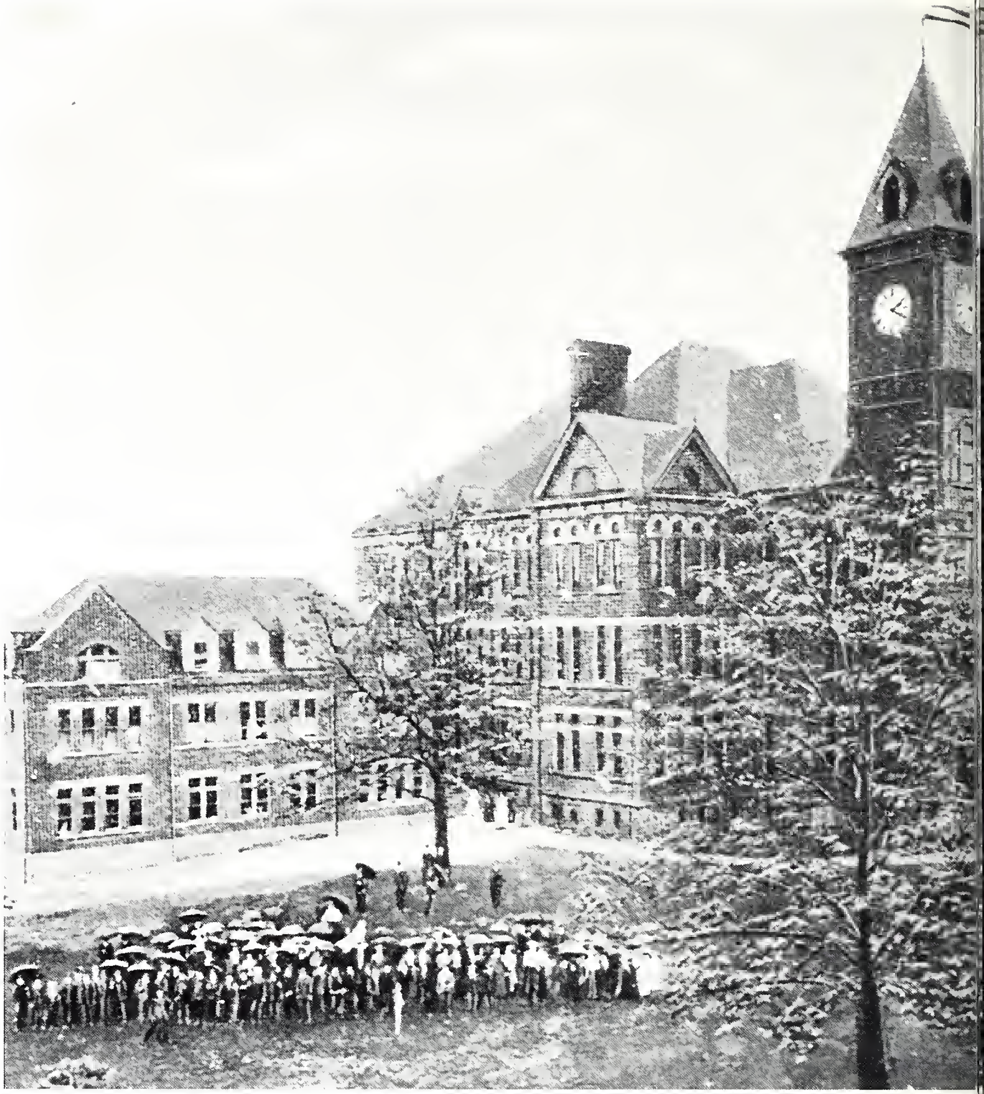


Fairmont State College's yearbook title "The Mound" has a fascinating story that has its beginnings in ancient time. In 1893, a new campus for Fairmont State Normal School was constructed on Fairmont Avenue at the site of the old post office. In front of this building stood a Native American burial mound that was a popular place for students to study, socialize, and pose for class pictures. In 1908 the first edition of the school yearbook was published, titled "The Mound" to commemorate a place of togetherness and spirit.

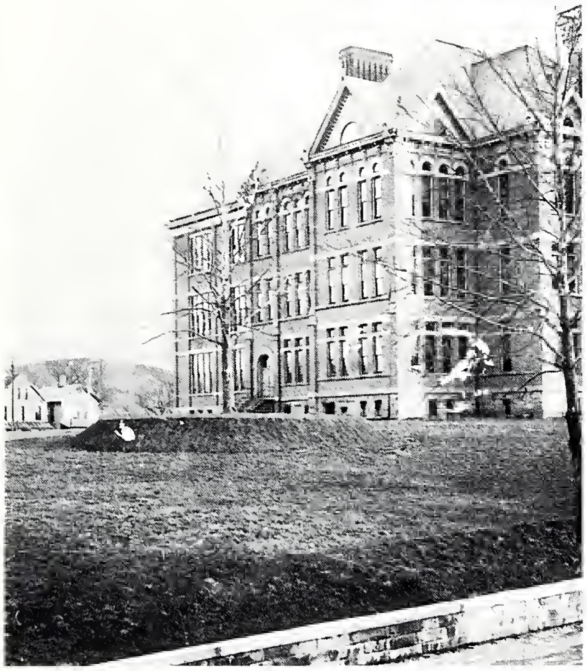
This mound is similar to many others in the Tygart and Monongahela River region. They were constructed permanently in this area and thrived on an abundant supply of freshwater mussels, fish, game and agriculture. The mound is thirty-five feet long by twenty feet wide and eight feet high and is typical of those of the Hopewell culture that existed between A.D. one and five hundred. This flat plateau above the river was a prime village location then, as it is now. Many fascinating artifacts were found and displayed at the old school. A skeleton was also unearthed and reburied during the construction of Fairmont Normal. Within view of Fairmont Normal, there was another mound of similar size on Palatine Knob. An organized excavation yielded many skeletons, flint hammers, pottery and teeth from buffalo, panthers and even a mastodon.

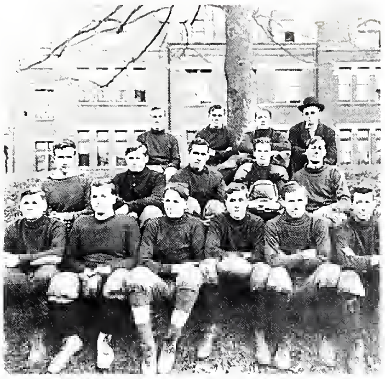
In 1916 Fairmont State Normal School moved to the current location and became Fairmont State College where the spirit of the mound remained strong. In 1928, part of the mound was relocated in front of the current administration building to remain as a link between the old campus and the new. When Fairmont Normal was razed, concerned citizens made sure that the mound would not be disturbed.

The original mound remains today surrounded in concrete, with a commercial sign and a tree stump at its crest; the relocated portion is adorned with a plaque and large tree. Hats off to those who helped build a strong foundation for Fairmont State College, by working together and continuing the tradition of the Mound, a symbol of spirit we can all be proud of. *Contributed by: Richard Gerken*

■ Around 1912 at the Fairmont Avenue location this shows only one of the many ceremonies that were performed at the mound.

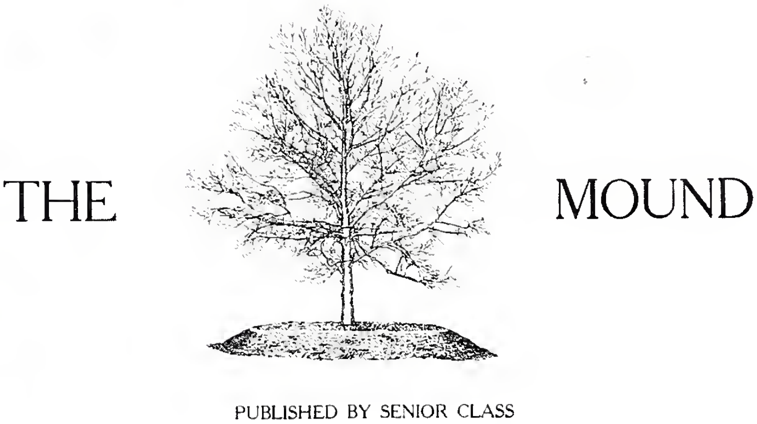
■ Fairmont Normal School new building around 1900, clearly showing the Mound. In the background is Palatine Knob; site of a similar mound that was excavated and yielded many artifacts.





■Fairmont State Normal School football team of 1912 shown sitting on the mound for a photo, like most organizations did back then.

■ An original drawing from the 1913 volume of The Mound showes what the actual mound looked like back then at Fairmont Normal.



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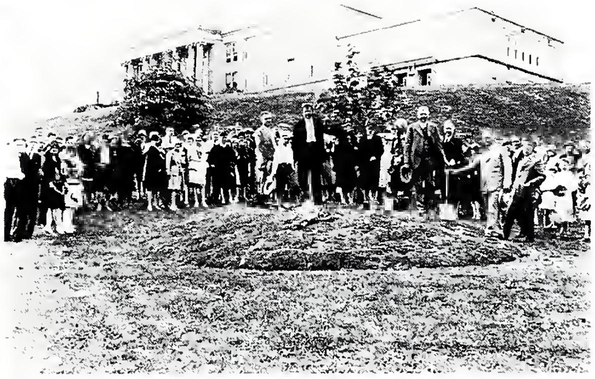

■ 1928 ceremony at Fairmont State College to commemorate the relocation of a portion of the Mound with a poplar tree.

■ The relocated portion of the mound as it looks today at Fairmont State College, 70 years since its dedication and tree planting.

■ The Mound staff of 1957-58 standing on what was left of the grass covered mound, at the bottom of the campus in front of the Administration Building.

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Laughter and tears where what made memories of both good times and bad times in 1997-1998 that have been shared with classmates, roommates, friends and professors.

On top of a hill in Fairmont, WV sits Fairmont State College, where some have said dreams came true.

Given the opportunities that were handed to FSC students, each student got out of the experience what they put into it. Some students spent their hours having a good time and others had a *very* good time. Some students spent their time studying for that hard test or putting the final touches on a class project.

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■ Shay McCullough shows a self-defense technique to a student who attended his workshop held in the Turley Center.

■FSC technology class members show off their handmade clock with the same chimes that are heard throughout campus everyday. The clocks were a sellout.

■Tim Neal and an Alpha Phi Omega friend stop to chat between classes near Prichard and Morrow Hall.

■ Ryan Collins, a Student Ambassador, shows potential new students around campus, letting them know where everything is and answering their questions.

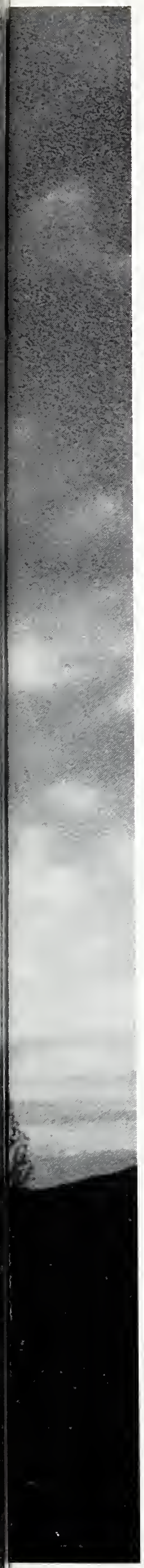
■One FSC student watches the casino tables as another student wins a few for chips during Casino Night.

...Live in Color

Some students used their time practicing and sweating to win that important game or match and sometimes lost in the heartbreaking final seconds.

Getting all they could out of the year were those students who did it all. They won some and lost some, they organized that amazing fundraiser, had a good time on Thursday night and still managed to make a good enough grade on Friday morning's test.

Students come in all shapes and sizes, but without these people, FSC would not have had an exciting and astonishing year. And even though the outside world refers to college students as "just college kids", they're different people who make up their own world as tomorrow's future and who give FSC its diversity, its uniqueness and its LIVE COLOR.



■ In the night sky the newly-begun construction of the new Clarksburg Center building stands apart.

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